



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

BLACK PANTHER PARTY

NORTH CAROLINA

PART 1 OF 15

BUFILE NUMBER: 105-165706

BLACK PANTHER PARTY -
NORTH CAROLINA

FBIHQ FILE 105-165706-8

Section 1

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Date: 6/11/69

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706 Sub 8)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171)

BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RM

Re San Francisco airtel to the Director, 6/4/69, captioned as above; and Director's airtel to Charlotte, 6/9/69, captioned "_____, RM - BPP," Bufile _____, Charlotte file _____

Referenced San Francisco airtel sets forth that SF _____ advised on 6/3/69 an individual who identified himself only as _____ contacted the San Francisco BPP office stating he operates the _____ in Greensboro, N. C., giving his telephone number as _____ and the conversation pertained to JOSE GONZALVEZ and BRAD BELCHER.

For information of the Bureau _____ DOC BRYAN is identical to WAYLAND EARL MILLER BRYANT, JR., who is _____ The Black Bookstore is known as the House of Weusi Umoja _____ and telephone number 919-274-2293 was obtained by BRYANT for the House of Weusi Umoja.

Separate files are open in the Charlotte Division concerning _____ and _____ and the

(2) - Bureau (RM)
2 - San Francisco (157-2861) (RM)
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Bureau will be advised under the respective cases of the results of investigation. This airtel is for the purpose of clarification of the information and identities of the individuals as set forth by [REDACTED]

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TO: BUREAU (105-165706 Sub. 8)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-2861) (P)

SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY -
CHARLOTTE DIVISION
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██████████ advised that on 6/3/69 an individual who identified himself only as ██████████ (phonetic) contacted the SF BPP Office stating he operates the ██████████ in Greensboro, North Carolina and gave his telephone number as ██████████

██████████ said that two individuals - JOSE GONZALVEZ and BRAD BELCHER are in Greensboro, North Carolina running up bills stating they are BPP members from New Haven, Conn. Chapter. ██████████ wants to know if they really are BPP members.

██████████ was advised by the Officer of the Day at the SF BPP Office that GONZALVEZ and BELCHER are no longer members of the BPP and that they are renegades. ██████████ was told that he will have to handle the matter from now on and he stated that he would handle it.

The above is furnished for the information of the Charlotte and New Haven Divisions to assist in following the activities of persons affiliated with the BPP.

If any of the above information is disseminated outside the Bureau, it should be suitably paraphrased to protect this very sensitive source.

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2 - Charlotte (157-6171) (RM)
2 - New Haven (100-19186) (RM)
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SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171) (P)

SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RM

Re New Haven airtel to Bureau 1/27/69;
Charlotte letter to Bureau 2/14/69.

On 2/19/69, [REDACTED] Raleigh, N. C. (PROTECT IDENTITY), voluntarily furnished the following information to SA [REDACTED]

[redacted] advised that his wife had attended a luncheon and sat next to [redacted] related to Mrs. [redacted] that a very funny incident had occurred to her son, who is a Yale student. [redacted] related that the janitor for her son's club at Yale University was the father of a deceased Black Panther Party (BPP) leader who had been assassinated in California, and buried in the New Haven, Conn., area. She stated that the father of the deceased BPP member was not at all in sympathy with his son and subsequently asked members of her son's club at Yale if they would act as honorary pallbearers at his son's funeral so that the BPP members would not take part at the funeral. She stated that subsequently her son [redacted] did act as a pallbearer and had related to her that BPP members attended the funeral.

It is noted that [REDACTED], previously has been determined to be a white male, born [REDACTED], at Raleigh, N. C.

New Haven may desire to incorporate the above information, protecting the identities of persons involved, as it explains the participation of white individuals in a BPP funeral. Any further investigation concerning this phase of the BPP investigation is being left to the discretion of New Haven.

- 3 - Bureau (105-165706) (Sub 8) (RM)
2 - New Haven (100-19186)
1 - New York (100-161993) (Info)
1 - San Francisco (157-2861) (Info)
2 - Charlotte U.S. Savings Bonds Registrar

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5:31 PM URGENT [REDACTED] RHM

TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: CHARLOTTE (157-6171) (P)

BLACK PANTHER PARTY. ALLEGED THREAT TO BOMB THRIFTY CURB MARKET,
GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MEMBERS OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP),
GREENSBORO, N.C., ARE DISCUSSING THE POSSIBILITY OF BOMBING
THE THRIFTY CURB MARKET IN GREENSBORO, N.C., [REDACTED]

ON FEBRUARY EIGHT LAST, [REDACTED], WHITE EMPLOYEE
OF THRIFTY CURB MARKET, INVOLVED IN ALTERCATION WITH NEGRO
MALE AT MARKET. [REDACTED] FIRED SHOTS AND PHYSICALLY BEAT NEGRO
MALE WHO WAS ATTEMPTING TO HIT HIM WITH A BOTTLE.
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Included in summary to White House
and Attorney General. Date 2-11-69

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NEGRO MALE HAS MADE NO COMPLAINTS [REDACTED] BUT
[REDACTED] MEMBERS OF BPP ARE AWARE OF OCCURRENCE AND PLAN
TO BOMB MARKET. [REDACTED] AKA [REDACTED]
STATED HE HAS A STICK OF DYNAMITE. BPP MEETING SCHEDULED FOR
TONIGHT AND GROUP ALLEGEDLY PLANS TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST THRIFTY CURB
MARKET AFTER MEETING.

[REDACTED]
APPRISED OF ABOVE INFORMATION AND HAS ADVISED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] OF THRIFTY CURB MARKET, AND [REDACTED] OF THREAT.

Military Intelligence
MIG AND SECRET SERVICE ADVISED.

Memo
LHM AND AIRTEL FOLLOWS.

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621 PM URGENT 2-21-69 JMC

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHARLOTTE (157-6551) (P)

BLACK PANTHER PARTY

MEMORIAL CEREMONY FOR MALCOLM X, GREENSBORO, N.C.,

FEBRUARY TWENTYONE, SIXTYNINE. RM.

RE CHARLOTTE TELETYPE TO BUREAU FEB. TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

APPROXIMATELY THREE HUNDRED NEGRO MALES AND FEMALES,
MANY WEARING BLACK PANTHER BUTTONS AND BERETS, MARCHED TO
WINDSOR COMMUNITY CENTER APPROXIMATELY THREE THIRTY TODAY.
PLAYED A RECORDING OF MALCOLM X SPEECH AND HEARD TWO SPEAKERS.
CROWD RAISED FISTS IN BLACK POWER SALUTE NUMEROUS TIMES BUT
DISPERSED FOUR THIRTY P.M. MAJORITY MARCHED BACK TO A & T
UNIVERSITY CAMPUS AND SMALLER GROUP RETURNED TO CAMPUS UNC-
GREENSBORO. NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED,

SECRET SERVICE AND MIG ADVISED. LHM FOLLOWS.

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1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

SAC, Charlotte (157-6171)

3/13/69

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Director, FBI (105-165706) 8-11

BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP)
RACIAL MATTERS

Reurlet 2/24/69.

Bureau files contain no information that the BPP is using decals on its automobiles to indicate the rank of BPP leaders. The organization does utilize various military rank designations in its chain of command but there is no information that these designations are being displayed on cars used by the BPP.

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NOTE:

The Marine Corps at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, received information that the BPP used decals to denote the rank of its leaders on its cars. Charlotte requested information in this regard to answer the Marine Corps' inquiry from Camp Lejeune.

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DUKE UNIVERSITY, WAS AFRO-AMERICAN SOCIETY, DUKE, AND ONLY
NEGRO INVOLVED IN SIT-IN AT DUKE UNIVERSITY NOT A STUDENT
IS [REDACTED] DURHAM, N.C., WHO IS ON AGITATOR
INDEX, CHARLOTTE OFFICE.

IN VIEW OF LACK OF INFO SUBSTANTIATING INFORMATION AS
FURNISHED IN REFERENCED ATLANTA TELETYPE, CHARLOTTE CONDUCTING
NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

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cc - [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706)

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171) (P)

SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RACIAL MATTERS

DATE: 2/24/69

On 2/14/69 M/Sgt. [REDACTED] Counterintelligence, Provost Marshal's Office, Camp Lejeune, N. C., advised that due to the increased interest of the Command in racial matters as pertains to members of the Marine Corps, he has received information that the Black Panther Party Officers have a Chain of Command similar to the military and display decals on their vehicles indicating their rank. For example, those holding the rank of General have a star; Colonels an eagle and so forth.

[REDACTED] further stated he has his sources instructed to photograph any such decals that may be seen in the area.

Bureau and San Francisco are requested to furnish any information concerning rank decals that may be disseminated to Marine Corps.

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2-San Francisco (157-2861)
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TO DIRECTOR (105-165706 SUB 8) AND ATLANTA (157-1680)
FROM CHARLOTTE (157-6171)

BLACK PANTHER PARTY, RACIAL MATTERS.

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR FEBRUARY THIRTEEN LAST
CAPTIONED, "UNSUBS; AFRO-AMERICAN WITH BLACK PANTHER TENDENCIES;
RM - BPP."

CONTACTS WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DURHAM, N.C., FAILED TO DEVELOP ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION. [REDACTED]

INFORMANTS FAMILIAR WITH KLAN ACTIVITY HAD NO INFORMATION
KLANSMEN FORCED ANY GROUP TO LEAVE DURHAM, N.C. AREA. SOURCE
WITHIN BPP WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN PAST
INDICATED ONLY KNOWLEDGE OF ACTIVITIES THAT GROUP, DURHAM, NC.
WAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FEB 25 1969
[REDACTED] INFORMANT KNOWS OF NO BPP GROUP AT
DURHAM, N.C. GROUP WHO TOOK OVER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,

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207 PM URGENT 5-22-69 CKP

TO DIRECTOR (105-165706), SAN FRANCISCO, NEW HAVEN

(100-19136), NEW YORK, TAMPA

FROM CHARLOTTE (157-6171) 2P

BLACK PANTHER PARTY, RM

RE NEWHAVEN TEL TO BUREAU TODAY, AND CETELCALL TO
NEW HAVEN TODAY.

SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN
THE PAST ADVISED THAT JOSE GONZALVEZ, ACCOMPANIED BY BRAD
LNU, PRESENTLY IN GREENSBORO, NC, RESIDING WITH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], GREENSBORO, NC.

FOR INFORMATION NEW HAVEN GREENSBORO PRESENTLY UNDER
STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO RACIAL [REDACTED] FORCE WITH NATIONAL GUARD
MOBILIZED AND ASSISTING POLICE IN MAINTAINING ORDER. CURFEW
TO BE IMPOSED LATER TODAY.

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CHARLOTTE DOES NOT PLAN TO TAKE ANY ACTION IN CONNECTION
WITH [REDACTED] UNTIL RACIAL SITUATION
GREENSBORO RETURNS TO NORMAL.

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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date June 2, 1969

Attached pertains to allegations made on 5/28/69 by George S. Daly, an attorney at Charlotte, North Carolina. Daly claimed he represented two individuals recently arrested by Charlotte Police Department and desired to lodge a complaint about the "illegal search" of the residence by the FBI, and also because the FBI had kept this residence under constant surveillance. Daly was informed by the Special Agent whom he contacted that the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division participated in the arrests and search involving his clients and that the FBI in no way participated. Allegations made by Daly specified Special Agent L. Dean Paarmann and Charlotte furnished an affidavit of Paarmann categorically denying Daly's allegations.

A letter is being prepared for the Internal Security and Criminal Divisions of the Department which will contain Daly's allegations and information categorically denying these allegations.

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Date: 5/29/69

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171)

BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RM

On 5/28/69 Attorney at Law GEORGE S. DALY telephonically contacted the Charlotte Office at approximately 1:00 p.m. and advised SA [REDACTED] that he represented MICHAEL GRANT LANEY and JAMES COVINGTON, who were recently arrested in a raid at their residence, 316 S. Turner St., Charlotte, N. C. He related that he interviewed both his clients as well as three other witnesses and stated he is lodging a complaint about the illegal search of the residence by the FBI and the fact that this residence is under constant surveillance.

SA [REDACTED] pointed out to DALY that these arrests were not made by FBI Agents but were made by the Internal Revenue Service, Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Agents, along with local police. Mr. DALY did not acknowledge accepting this as an answer and said that he had been told by his clients that FBI Agent L. DEAN PAARMANN had been a member of the raid on this residence, along with 40 other law enforcement officers. DALY further advised SA [REDACTED] that within the next four to five days it is his intention to go into USDE at Charlotte and obtain a temporary restraint against law enforcement officers from harassing these men.

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Attached is affidavit of SA L. DEAN PAARMANN concerning the allegations made by DALY. Also enclosed are newspaper articles from the "Charlotte Observer," dated 5/28/69, the "Charlotte News," 5/28/69, and the "Charlotte Observer," dated 5/29/69, relating to these arrests.

The FBI did not participate in these arrests and this residence has not been under surveillance by the FBI. The arrests of COVINGTON and LANEY were at approximately 5:00 p.m. on 5/27/69. SA PAARMANN's #3 card does not disclose he was in the vicinity of S. Turner St. at that time of the day. He returned to the office at 5:20 p.m.

SA PAARMANN does advise that at approximately 11:00 a.m. on 5/28/69 he talked with MICHAEL LANEY and JAMES COVINGTON at the Mecklenburg County Jail after they had been arrested and incarcerated. His reason for interviewing LANEY and COVINGTON was to obtain information in Charlotte's case on [REDACTED] TIRIOT LAWS, Charlotte file [REDACTED]. His #3 card for 5/28/69 so discloses this lead. In relation to the local police having a warrant for an individual that they were attempting to serve at 316 S. Turner St., it is pointed out that this individual is [REDACTED]. He is not named in the attached newspaper articles as the individual attempting to be served. [REDACTED] is wanted by the local police for an attempted armed robbery of a local cab driver approximately one week ago.

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The above and attached is submitted for Bureau's information in the event any inquiries are made and a copy of the affidavit is being submitted to the USA covering this judicial district in the event DALY goes to the USDC in relation to the above.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Greensboro, North Carolina
May 21, 1969

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The periodical entitled THE BLACK PANTHER is being circulated in Greensboro, North Carolina. The publication seems to be rather inflammatory and, thus, a possible threat to our government. A copy of this publication is enclosed for your information.

There seems to be an organization of Black Panthers operating in our city. Many citizens are regarding this organization with considerable suspicion.

I am afraid to state my name and address. This kind of fear appears to be quite unnecessary. Please do not regard this letter as a threat. An investigation is needed.

Yours very truly,

A taxpayer

CC. State Bureau of Investigation
Raleigh, North Carolina

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE CHARLOTTE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN SAN FRANCISCO	DATE 5/23/69	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 5/20-23/69
TITLE OF CASE BLACK PANTHER PARTY		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY cbw
		CHARACTER OF CASE RACIAL MATTERS	

REFERENCE:

Charlotte teletype to Bureau dated 5/22/69.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

This report is classified Confidential, Group I, in order to protect the information as furnished by CE T-1, CE T-4, CE T-6, CE T-8, CE T-9, CE T-10, and CE T-13, all of whom are extremely sensitive sources and the unauthorized disclosure of their identities would be detrimental to the best interest of the internal security of the United States.

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and [REDACTED] are on the Agitator Index, Charlotte, N. C., Office.

This report is being submitted due to the fact efforts are being made to organize branches of the BPP at Asheville, Charlotte, Greensboro, and Winston-Salem, N. C. To date, no information has been received that any group within the Charlotte Division has officially been chartered by the BPP Headquarters, Berkeley, Calif.

INFORMANTS:

	<u>Ident</u>	<u>Location</u>
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AT CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Will continue to follow and report activities of BPP.

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Report of:
Date:SA [REDACTED]
May 23, 1969

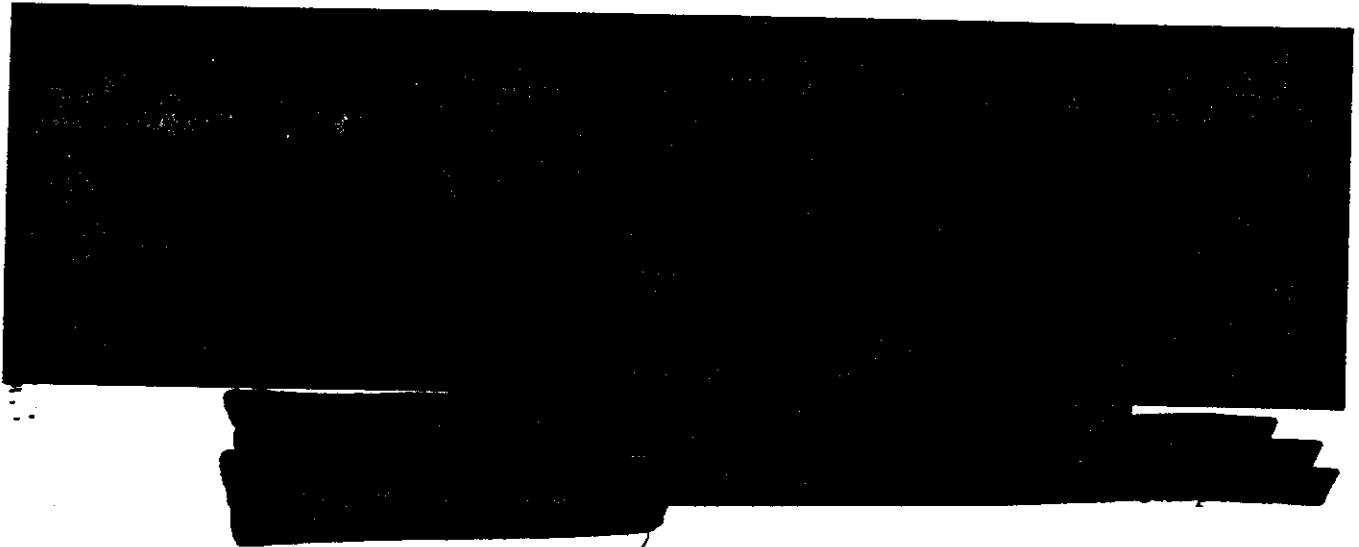
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DETAILS:

Characterizations of the Black Panther Party (BPP), Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), and Organization of Afro-American Unity, Inc. (OAAU) are attached as appendices to this report.

I. CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

A. Organizational Activities and Connections With
Black Panther Party Headquarters, Berkeley, California

On December 13, 1968, CE T-1 advised that an individual, known only as [REDACTED] had recently contacted the headquarters of the Black Panther Party (BPP) at Oakland, California, and advised that he represented an organization known as the Afro-American Unity Organization, Charlotte, North Carolina, which desired to affiliate with the BPP. [REDACTED] was told that it would be necessary for him to forward the amount of \$300 to the national headquarters in order that a representative of the national office of the BPP could travel to Charlotte, North Carolina, to indoctrinate the new members. [REDACTED] furnished his telephone number as [REDACTED] and his address as [REDACTED], Charlotte, North Carolina, and advised that he would attempt to obtain the necessary funds and recontact the national headquarters.

On December 30, 1968, CE T-2 advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Charlotte, North Carolina.

On December 30, 1968, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] Charlotte, North Carolina, had no [REDACTED] concerning the Afro-American Unity Organization at Charlotte; however, [REDACTED] advised that JEROME CLIFTON JOHNSON, also known as "The Fox", a Negro male, [REDACTED] Charlotte, North Carolina, reportedly held a meeting on the Johnson C. Smith University campus, Charlotte, North Carolina, on December 2, 1968, where he was introduced as a member of the BPP movement. (4)

On [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] advised that JEROME JOHNSON had not been successful in establishing an affiliation with the BPP of California. [REDACTED] reported that this delay in obtaining a charter was due to a purge being conducted within the national BPP Party to get rid of informants and undesirable characters. [REDACTED] stated that the only officers are JEROME JOHNSON, who holds the position of Area Captain, and BENJAMIN FRANKLIN CHAVIS, JR., who has been designated as the Minister of Information. (4)

On May 13, 1969, [REDACTED] advised that there was no charter group of BPP in North Carolina as of that date; however, the group at Charlotte, North Carolina, expects to receive a charter in the near future. (4)

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[REDACTED] advised on [REDACTED] that there were considered [REDACTED] in the Afro-American Unity Organization at Charlotte. 19

On May 21, 1969, [REDACTED] furnished a copy of the following poster being passed out in Charlotte, North Carolina: 19

Rally!

Date: May 24, 1969

Time: 12-4

Place: Chicken and Ribs
corner of Beattiesford Rd. and
Oaklawn.

Sponsor: Citizens of the Black
Community who are interested in
organizing a Black Panther
Party.

"Power to the People"

B. Publications

On March 18, 1969, CE T-6, who has frequent contact with the leadership of the BPP National Headquarters, Berkeley, California, advised that [REDACTED] contacted the national headquarters in order that he might purchase a quantity of posters and newspapers. According to CE T-6, [REDACTED] requested 200 copies of the "Black Panther" newspaper and 20 copies of two different posters be shipped to him at 2316 Tate Street, Charlotte, North Carolina. CE T-6 stated that [REDACTED] also gave his telephone number as [REDACTED]

On April 3, 1969, CE T-7 advised that the "Black Panther" newspaper is now being sold at the Varsity Grill, Statesville Avenue, in Charlotte. (u)

On April 23, 1969, JEROME CLIFTON JOHNSON was observed by a Special Agent of the FBI selling copies of the April 20, 1969, issue of the "Black Panther" newspaper on East Trade Street, Charlotte, North Carolina. (u)

C. Finances

On [REDACTED] advised that the Afro-American Unity Organization's finances are not known; however, no efforts have been made to gather finances other than the small amounts donated by the members. (u)

D. Acquisition of Weapons and Other Paraphernalia

During [REDACTED] 1969, [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] for the group at Charlotte, North Carolina, has been observed in possession of a small caliber pistol.

On [REDACTED] 1969, [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and another individual, name unknown, were observed walking on Beatties Ford Road, Charlotte, North Carolina, with each carrying a shotgun. [REDACTED] had on a hunting jacket with shotgun shells in the designated slots in the jacket. (u)

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] a member of the Afro-American Unity Organization at Charlotte, North Carolina, was arrested by officers of the Raleigh, North Carolina, Police Department, on a charge of shoplifting. This charge dealt with the theft of walkie-talkies [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] 1969, information was received from [REDACTED] that on May 3, 1969, a group of approximately ten Negro males and females gathered at the intersection of Oaklawn Avenue and Beatties Ford Road, Charlotte, North Carolina, for approximately one and one-half hours where they gave the Black Panther salute with their fists in the air and shouted abuse at the policemen patrolling the area, such as "pig" and "honky", and for the policemen to leave the area. A number of individuals had shoulder weapons, such as rifles and shotguns, and machetes. (U)

On [REDACTED] 1969, [REDACTED] Charlotte, North Carolina, advised that on [REDACTED], the same group of individuals who staged a demonstration at Beatties Ford Road and Oaklawn Avenue, conducted firearms practice near the home of [REDACTED] Charlotte. This area was located by a Special Agent of the FBI and numerous empty .22 caliber rifle casings and .12 gauge shotgun shell casings were present in the area. (U)

On [REDACTED] 1969, [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] had possibly purchased a number of firearms at local stores in Charlotte. (U)

[REDACTED] reported that members of the Afro-American Unity Organization, Charlotte, North Carolina, assisted by members of the BPP at Charlotte, were to take over the Science Building at Belmont Abbey College, Belmont, North Carolina. [REDACTED] during the takeover, two rifles were furnished the Negro students at Belmont Abbey, along with the chains to bar the doors. (U)

It is noted that on May 6, 1969, a Special Agent of the FBI observed BENJAMIN FRANKLIN CHAVIS, JR. and JEROME CLIFTON JOHNSON, along with a group of other persons, milling around the Administration Building at Belmont Abbey College, Belmont, North Carolina. (U)

E. Activities

On [REDACTED] reported that HAROLD AVENT, also known as NUNDING, has invited a group of Black Panther Party members from Charlotte, North Carolina, to attend a meeting at Greensboro, North Carolina, on [REDACTED] 1969. (U)

On [REDACTED] reported that a meeting of Greensboro members of the BPP was held [REDACTED] Greensboro, North Carolina, attended by approximately [REDACTED] and two individuals from Charlotte appeared. These two individuals, JEROME JOHNSON and BEN CHAVIS, actually arrived too late for the meeting, but were greeted as brothers by NUNDING and the others. (U)

On [REDACTED] advised that during [REDACTED] 1969, [REDACTED] were held by members of the Afro-American Unity Organization at Charlotte. [REDACTED] have been scheduled until such time as they obtain their charter from the BPP, Oakland, California. (U)

On February 21, 1969, [REDACTED] reported that HAROLD AVENT, reportedly a Field Marshal of the BPP from Greensboro, North Carolina, spoke at a Malcolm X Day Commemoration service at Johnson C. Smith University. During his speech, AVENT was critical of the portraits of white persons hanging on the walls of the auditorium. The people portrayed in these portraits were the founders of the institution, a predominantly Negro college, and AVENT stated the pictures of these white pigs should be taken out and burned. (U)

On [REDACTED] reported that at a meeting of the BPP at Greensboro, North Carolina, six individuals from Charlotte, including JEROME JOHNSON and BEN CHAVIS and four others attended. (C)

[REDACTED] reported that AVENT had been asked to appear at the University of North Carolina campus at Charlotte on Monday, March 3, 1969, in connection with a protest rally led by BEN CHAVIS [REDACTED] to protest the ten demands being made against the university officials and to get recognition of a black student organization on the campus. The constitution and demands made on the university follow the ten-point program for black student unions as set out in the Black Panther newspaper. (U)

The "Charlotte Observer", a daily Charlotte, North Carolina, newspaper, in its issue of March 4, 1969, contained an article which stated in part that about forty (40) Negroes had gathered around the flag pole at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, shouting "Power to the People" and replaced the United States and North Carolina flags with a black flag. The newspaper article identified the chief spokesman for the group as BEN CHAVIS. The article also states that at approximately 2:00 P. M. on March 3, 1969, the black students began taping posters on the Administration Building windows, some of which were denunciations of North Carolina Governor ROBERT SCOTT, such as "Scott is oinking (pig) in the eyes of the people." (U)

On [REDACTED] reported that on March 21, 1969, in connection with a demonstration at Second Ward Senior High School, Charlotte, North Carolina, over the issue of new school construction, BEN CHAVIS and JEROME JOHNSON were arrested on charges of trespassing and disrupting classes.

On [REDACTED] reported that information had been received from [REDACTED] that CHICO NOBLET, who is the East Coast Co-ordinator for the BPP, was due in North Carolina to assist the BPP members in North Carolina in getting ready, politically and socially, concerning the party's guidelines. (U)

On May 1, 1969, [REDACTED] was contacted in the front yard of his residence at [REDACTED], Charlotte, North Carolina, by Detectives with the Charlotte, North Carolina, Police Department, and a Special Agent of the FBI. [REDACTED] advised as follows:

He stated that he did not desire the interviewing officers to enter onto his premises, and if any talking was necessary, it could be done with the officers standing on the sidewalk.

[REDACTED] who was accompanied by another Negro male named [REDACTED], advised that he did not care to discuss anything with law officers inasmuch as he considered himself to be a Black Panther. When questioned as to his actual membership in the Black Panther Party, [REDACTED] stated that he did not have anything official to prove his membership, but that he was in fact a member of the Black Panther Party in his heart. He said that he believed in certain things which he refused to enumerate, but he stated that he was willing to die for these beliefs.

When further questioned concerning background information, [REDACTED] stated that all background information concerning him could be obtained through contacting ELDRIDGE CLEAVER.

In an effort to establish rapport, [REDACTED] was offered a cigarette, at which time he refused, stating that he was in training. It was noted that at the time of the contact, [REDACTED] was wearing a black beret, Army fatigue pants, and black military-type jump boots. His hair was worn in a full bush. (U)

II. GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

A. Organizational Activities and Connections With
Black Panther Party Headquarters, Berkeley,
California

On January 13, 1969, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and furnished the following
information:

HAROLD AVANT, also known as Nadine, has appeared on
A and T State University Campus with ERIC PATRICK BROWN. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] said AVANT is supposed to be a member of the Black
Panther Party and had come from New York or New Jersey with ERIC
BROWN upon BROWN's return to A and T State University after the
Christmas vacation.

[REDACTED] had furnished [REDACTED] with a
copy of a poster which had appeared on A and T State University
bulletin boards urging support of ERIC BROWN in his opposition
to having been suspended from A and T State University.

[REDACTED] BROWN that he had been suspended because of his
disruptive conduct and disorderly activity on the campus shortly
before the Christmas holiday. BROWN had led a group of eight
or ten other Negro students, and they had done considerable
damage in the two dining halls at the school. They had broken
up dishes, turned over tables, etc., and for this disorderly
conduct, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BROWN of his suspension.

Upon his return to A and T State University after the
Christmas holidays, BROWN had brought along HAROLD AVANT, and
these posters had appeared on the bulletin boards. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BROWN was on the poster and then an
appeal to the students to come to BROWN's aid in his fight
against suspension.

[REDACTED] that a hearing had
been held, and BROWN has been reinstated at A and T State University.
BROWN had also asked for use of the auditorium in the Student
Union Building for AVANT to speak to the student body. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said, however, that he understood AVANT had gone into one of the dormitories and talked with the students.

[REDACTED] had further been advised by [REDACTED] a Negro active in anti-poverty work in Greensboro, North Carolina, that AVANT is a member of the Black Panthers, and that [REDACTED] had seen AVANT hanging around at the Carolina Peacemaker office, 914 1/2 Correll Street, in Greensboro, North Carolina. [REDACTED] had told [REDACTED] that he was quite concerned about AVANT and his activities in the vicinity of A and T State University. (u)

On January 15, 1969, [REDACTED] advised ERIC BROWN and AVANT have been seen by him wearing Black Panther buttons on their lapels and also he has seen two or three other students at A and T State University and a couple of girls from Bennett College who are wearing such buttons. [REDACTED] said AVANT is not living on campus but apparently is staying somewhere nearby and has been observed a number of occasions on the campus. He described AVANT as a Negro male, about 6 feet 1 inch tall, weighing 230 pounds, an estimated age of 26 to 27, with a large head and his head is completely covered by a big full Afro-bush type haircut and beard. He said AVANT's complexion is medium dark, and he understood that AVANT was either from New Jersey or New York; and the impression that [REDACTED] had was that perhaps he was some sort of organizer for the Black Panthers who would go into an area and stay for a short time and then move on. He stated he did not know where AVANT was staying in Greensboro, but he advised that ERIC BROWN has Room 1045 in Scott Hall at A and T State University. (u)

On January 23, 1969, [REDACTED] Deputy Minister of Defense, Black Panther Party, and [REDACTED] were arrested by Special Agents of the FBI at John F. Kennedy Airport, New York City, New York, for violation of Title 49, United States Code, Section 1472, Crime Aboard Aircraft - Carrying Concealed Weapons. (u)

At the time of their arrest, [REDACTED] had in his possession an attache case which contained numerous notes and other materials. Also contained in a separate section of the attache case appeared a list of documents with a handwritten "Project #3" printed at the top of each document. Included, among other documents, was a "Fact Sheet On the Case of Bro. Eric Brown", which is set forth hereafter: (u)

"This statement is being issued to give the students the fact involved in the case of Bro. Eric B. Brown.

"On Monday night December 9, 1968, following the speech of Bro. Calvin C. Matthews, President of S. G. A., announced that as of 7:00 A.M. Wednesday, December 11, 1968, a boycott of all classes would go into effect. The boycott was called to give students ample time to draw up a list of demands that would be given to the administration on Friday, December 13, 1968.

"On Thursday, December 12, 1968, between 4:00 P.M. and 4:30 P.M. a spontaneous disturbance erupted in Murphy Hall. During the disturbance trays of food were thrown on the floor and tables and chairs were over turned. After devastating Murphy Hall, the frustrated students then proceeded to Brown Hall around 4:45 P.M., whereupon they commenced to turn over trays tables and chairs there too.

"At the time of the first incident, it must be made quiet clear, that Bro. Eric P. Brown was in a conference with Bro. Willie Drake, Vice President of S.G.A. The conference lasted from around 3:50 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. Upon leaving Bro. Drake, Bro Brown heard the news of the disruptive actions taken by students in Murphy Hall. He immediately proceeded to Murphy Hall to witness, the incidents. With things having subsided at Murphy Hall, Bro. Brown headed for Brown Hall to eat dinner.

"While standing in line at Brown Hall, the emotional charged students from Murphy Hall came into Brown Hall and began to disrupt the eating facilities there.

"At that point, Bro. Calvin C. Matthews entered Brown Hall and proceeded across the room and singled out one brother who had thrown his tray on the floor. He then threw a series of blows to the brother (unknown). Bro. Brown along with some other students immediately sought to restrain Bro. Matthews. Bro. Matthews was finally removed from the dining hall.

"That night about 7:00 P.M., a meeting was called to give a progress report on the boycott.

"Prior to the progress report, Bro. Brown, along with some other brothers, tried to talk to Brother Matthews to warn him that such incidents would cause student divisions. Unfortunately, Brother Matthews was emotionally up_uset at that time. The brothers could not come to an agreement.

"When Matthews addressed the student rally that evening, citing the cafeteria incident, he asked for all radicals to stand. After no one stood Brother Brown attempted to get the floor. He was pointed out as a 'radical' at that time.

"On Friday, Dec. 13th Bro. Brown received the following letter:

"'Dear Mr. Brown

"'You have been charged with a very serious infraction of regulations and standards of the University. Specifically, you are charged with defacing property of the University and disorderly conduct. Especially is your case a very serious one because of a deliberateness taken on your part to insight others to follow your actions. You have been summoned to this office for a hearing to face these charges and to receive judgement as the facts in the case dictate.

"'Very Sincerely yours
J. E. Marshall
Dean of Student Affairs'

"On the following Tuesday a so-called hearing took place. Although Bro. Brown had 155 witnesses to prove his innocence, two hand-picked students and kangaroo procedures found him guilty.

"THESE FACTS SHOULD SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES!!!!!!!!!!!!!"

On [REDACTED] advised that on [REDACTED] 1969, a meeting of the BPP was held [REDACTED] Greensboro, North Carolina. The meeting was attended [REDACTED] persons and the instructor was HAROLD AVANT, who identified himself as a Section Chief and teacher of the BPP. This was one of a group of weekly training sessions to be presented for new BPP members. ERIC BROWN was identified as

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the Captain for the Greensboro, North Carolina, area and ROBERT SPERO was designated as First Lieutenant. //

According to [REDACTED] the regular weekly meetings of the BPP in Greensboro continued with about the same number of persons present during [REDACTED] 1969. //

On April 21, 1969, CE T-6 reported that an individual identifying himself as [REDACTED], Greensboro, North Carolina, contacted the BPP National Headquarters, Berkeley, California, and was advised by persons at the national headquarters that he has no authority at this time to organize a BPP chapter. [REDACTED] indicated that he and another BPP brother whom he did not name, had traveled to North Carolina from New York, specifically to organize the North Carolina chapter of the BPP. As of May 21, 1969, [REDACTED] were not aware of any charter being issued to the BPP in North Carolina. //

On [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] ERIC BROWN who calls himself the Area Captain for the BPP, in North Carolina, he has determined that BROWN considers approximately 35 people in Greensboro to be members of the BPP. //

B. Publications

[REDACTED] furnished a copy of the following leaflet which was handed out by HAROLD AVANT at a BPP meeting in Greensboro, North Carolina, on [REDACTED] //


NEVER, NEVER SURRENDER BROTHERS
POWER TO YOU

All Panthers in training (P.I.T.) are required to learn all Panther policy and program in a six week period, before moving on to the next stage. You must discipline yourselves to concentrate because revolution is not a party or a joke. There will be no revolution without a revolutionary party. The Black Panther Party is truly a revolutionary party. We must work very hard. Please feel free to ask about anything you don't understand and don't be afraid to challenge your instructor on any point.

- You must memorize and understand the TEN POINT PROGRAM.
- You must memorize and understand the POLITICAL DEFINITIONS.
- You must memorize and understand the 3 RULES OF DISCIPLINE & 8 POINTS OF ATTENTION.
- You must obtain or liberate a copy of CHAIRMAN MAO TSE-TUNG QUOTATION (REDEBOOK).
- YOU must obtain or liberate a PERET.

During the six week training period you will be put through test and given special assignments to test your fiber. You will be expected to do some community work and help get together a community organizational chart. We must always have the respect of the community. A Panther must always carry him self like a gentleman. We are the peoples heroes, and the peoples liberation force. The first army that black people have ever had.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE. POWER TO BLACK PEOPLE. POWER TO THE
VANGUARD MOVEMENT


BPP Meeting
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On March 13, 1969, [REDACTED] made available the following leaflet which was being handed out by members of the BPP at Greensboro, North Carolina: (u)

THE SAME FASHION AS THEY HAVE REACTED ACROSS THE COUNTRY. USING THE POWER
STRUCTURE AT THEIR DISPOSAL. THE PIG POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE PIG
COURTS OF RACIST INJUSTICE IN GREENSBORO HAS JOINED IN THE NATIONAL
TREND TO DESTROY THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY.

ALL OVER THE COUNTRY, DOZENS OF PANTHERS ARE IN JAIL. ALMOST ALL
THE PANTHER LEADERS ARE IN PRISONS UNDER INDICTMENT OR HAVE FLED THE C
COUNTRY, ALL AS A RESULT OF TRUMPED-UP CRIMINAL CHARGES. FOREEXAMPLE,
THE RACIST OAKLAND PIG DEPARTMENT FRAMED AND IMPRISONED BROTHER
HUEY P. NEWTON FOR ALLEGEDLY OFFING A PIG. ANOTHER EXAMPLE WOULD BE
BROTHER ELDRIDGE CLEVER, WHO WAS FORCED INTO EXILE BY THE RACIST
CALIFORNIA ADULT AUTHORITY.

STEMMING FROM THE MARCH 13 INCIDENT WHEN THE PEOPLE DEALT WITH AN
ENEMY OF THE COMMUNITY (SID'S CURB MARKET), IN A REVOLUTIONARY MANNER,
THE PIG POWER STRUCTURE HAS TRIED TO EXTERMINATE THE LEADERSHIP OF
OF THE GREENSBORO CHAPTER OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY. ERIC BROWN IS A
VICTIM OF THIS ATTEMPT TO STOP THE MOVEMENT FOR ALLEGEDLY STEALING
THREE CARTONS OF CIGARETTES. WE WOULD LIKE TO INFORM THE MASSES THAT
A FOOT-licking UNCLE TOM, PORK CHOP LACKEY OF THE POWER STRUCTURE BY THE
NAME OF CHARLES ATCHINSON (X) (1130 SCOTT HALL, A&T STATE UNIVERSITY
CAMPUS), TESTIFIED AGAINST ERIC BROWN.

ALL COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARIES MUST BE DEALT IN A REVOLUTIONARY MANNER.

RIGHT ON !!

UNLESS THE MASSES OF BLACK PEOPLE COME TO THE AID OF THE REVOLUTIONARY
MOVEMENT FOR FREEDOM, THE PIG'S POWER STRUCTURE WILL BELIEVE THAT IT HAS
DESTROYED OUR STRUGGLE. AS LONG AS THERE IS A BLACK MAN LIVING ON
THIS EARTH THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM BY BLACK PEOPLE.
WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT IN ANY FORM POSSIBLE. POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
BLACK POWER TO BLACK PEOPLE!!

RIGHT ON !!

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MINISTRY OF INFORMATION
GREENSBORO CHAPTER
BLACK PANTHER PARTY

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On April 12, 1969, CE T-9 advised that W. E. M. BRYANT, JR. has opened a shop on East Market Street, Greensboro, where BPP members hang out. At this shop, BRYANT sells all sorts of literature, including the BPP newspaper and various publications and material of black culture.

On April 30, 1969, CE T-11 advised that the house of WEUSI UMOJA, 1621 East Market Street, Greensboro, North Carolina, is a market place for black cultural items.

On April 21, 1969, CE T-6 reported that an individual known only as Brother [REDACTED] believed to be operating a bookstore in Greensboro, North Carolina, had inquired of the national headquarters of BPP about shipments of the Black Panther newspaper.

C. Finances

[REDACTED]

On May 6, 1969, CE T-13 reported that W. E. M. BRYANT, JR. calls his bookstore "WEUSI UMOJA". This means "Black Power" in Swahili.

During [REDACTED] reported, concerning finances of the BPP at Greensboro, that the only fund-raising activity known at Greensboro was that of raising bond money for ERIC LAMICK BROWN, the Area Captain who was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] on March 15, 1969.

On May 15, 1969, [REDACTED] advised that on May 8, 1969, a meeting was held at A and T State University campus, Greensboro, North Carolina, where the statement was made that the BPP in North Carolina has enough money for their charter, amount not given, but they needed more money for traveling expenses.

D. Acquisition of Weapons and Other Paraphernalia

[REDACTED] a BPP meeting was held on [REDACTED] 1969, and HAROLD AVANT said that on January 31, 1969, a training session on guerilla tactics was held on the campus of A and T State University. AVANT also stated that their goal in Greensboro was to get all white merchants off East Market Street, starting with boycotts and if that does not force them to move, the BPP would do the "next best thing", which obviously meant tearing the place up or burning it down. (u)

On [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised that on [REDACTED] a BPP meeting was held [REDACTED] Greensboro. HAROLD AVANT discussed the recent takeover at Duke University by black students and said the problem could have been eliminated a lot quicker if the black brothers and sisters had had ammunition to fight off the police officers. AVANT stated that the black man should have machine guns or any other guns to overcome the "pigs". AVANT said that he wanted to get his hands on some sort of sub-machine gun, at least .45 caliber. (u)

[REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised that ERIC BROWN and ROBERT EVANS, both BPP members, went to Belk's Department Store in Greensboro and wanted the manager to furnish donations of clothing from Belks for the BPP members. Later the same day, four Negro males, two of whom were BROWN and EVANS, again approached the manager of Belks and were refused. After being refused, the four Negro males then asked the manager if he knew what had happened to Sid's Curb Market and were told that the manager did know about the fact that the curb market had been ransacked by a bunch of Negro males but he was not going to give them anything, even after being threatened. (u)

[REDACTED] noted that the owner of Sid's Curb Market had identified ERIC BROWN as one of the militants who had come into his store on March 13, 1969, and ransacked it. BROWN was the individual who took some \$400 from the cash register during this incident and has subsequently been convicted of common-law robbery; however, he has appealed the conviction. ✓

On [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] has a .357 caliber Magnum revolver which he carries on some occasions. ✓

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] reported that on [REDACTED] 1969, ERIC BROWN indicated he had been out shooting with a shotgun but did not say where he had gotten the shotgun or ammunition.

[REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] 1969, [REDACTED] reported that ERIC BROWN had indicated a desire in obtaining some [REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] 1969, [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has said that he is anxious to get hold of some guns but has not indicated whether he has been successful in doing so.

[REDACTED]

E. Activities

On February 6, 1969, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that during a sit-in conducted at A and T State University, Greensboro, North Carolina, on February 5, 1969, an individual claiming to be a BPP member addressed the students involved in the sit-in, urging them to continue. Apparently the militant attitude of the BPP member upset the students involved in the sit-in and they ceased their activities a short time later.

On February 6, 1969, [REDACTED] advised that the BPP speaker who addressed the A and T students on February 5, 1969, during the sit-in was HAROLD AVANT, also known as Nunding.

On [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised that on [REDACTED] HAROLD AVANT stated that he had been to Livingstone College at Salisbury, North Carolina, the previous weekend and during the week of [REDACTED] 1969, he was going to Shaw University, Raleigh, North Carolina, to organize.

On February 16, 1969, [REDACTED] Durham, North Carolina, reported that three Negro males were observed getting out of a Volkswagen and going to the edge of a building on the Duke campus where it appeared they were piling leaves against the side of the building. On investigation, one of the Negroes ran but the other two were identified as [REDACTED] Greensboro, North Carolina, and the other as [REDACTED] born [REDACTED] of Greensboro. Both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] refused to identify the third individual who had fled and since no violation could be proven, they were released.

In connection with [REDACTED], he voluntarily appeared at the Greensboro, North Carolina, Resident Agency of the FBI on April 18, 1969, and stated that he understood the FBI had been conducting an investigation concerning him. [REDACTED] was very belligerent and expressed anger because of this alleged investigation. [REDACTED] denied being a member of the BPP; however, he expressed the opinion that this organization is doing a fine job in connection with the rights of the "black" people.

[REDACTED] stated that the black people are in a war with the white race because of the injuries which white people have perpetrated against the black people during the past several centuries. He stated that the Constitution of the United States is a "lie" because it does not provide for freedom of all people and that the Marxist-Lenin philosophy has, as expressed by the Chinese, the proper form of government.

[REDACTED] stated that he is from Brooklyn, New York, and that his home address is [REDACTED]. He refused to furnish any additional background information. (C)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that approximately [REDACTED] individuals attended the Black Panther Party meeting at [REDACTED] Greensboro, North Carolina. He said a number of other individuals came and went during the evening but about [REDACTED] were present when HAROLD AVANT conducted the training program. [REDACTED] also identified [REDACTED] as being in attendance and stated three individuals from Charlotte, North Carolina, had come up to the meeting. He identified one of those individuals as [REDACTED] and said [REDACTED] was accompanied by a Negro male and a Negro female, whose identities he had not learned.

[REDACTED]

On February 22, 1969, [REDACTED] advised that on February 21, 1969, memorial ceremonies for MALCOLM X were held at the Windsor Community Center, Greensboro, North Carolina, attended by students of A and T State University, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and Bennett College, plus some high school students. CECIL ROUSON, a former body guard of MALCOLM X, gave a speech stating the reason MALCOLM X was assassinated was because he was making too much progress in getting the black men together. HAROLD AVANT also spoke and said that the police officers observing the ceremony were a bunch of pigs. AVANT urged all Negroes to get a "piece", meaning a gun, and to use it when necessary. [REDACTED] estimated there were 300 to 400 Negroes present, and BPP members included ERIC BROWN, HAROLD AVANT, ROBERT HEARNES, CECIL ROUSON, MICHAEL AIKENS, and NELSON JOHNSON.

On February 22, 1969, [REDACTED] furnished the same information as [REDACTED] however, advised that also present was BPP member WALTER BRAME. (C)

On [REDACTED] reported that HAROLD AVANT had returned to New York and was to return to Greensboro at a later date. According to [REDACTED] AVANT did not return to Greensboro until [REDACTED] and during this period, no actual meetings were held.

On [REDACTED] 1969, [REDACTED] reported that WALTER BRAME had stated BPP members are to urge the Greensboro Redevelopment Commission to be present at a meeting at Hayes Taylor YMCA, Greensboro. (C)

On March 26, 1969, [REDACTED] reported that the meeting was held at Hayes Taylor YMCA sponsored by the members of the BPP, with WALTER BRAME and NELSON JOHNSON, who are leaders in the BPP, running the meeting. None of the white members of the Redevelopment Commission showed up and one Negro member was in attendance for a short time. According to [REDACTED] BRAME is pushing for action concerning housing problems by the Redevelopment Commission to show that he is taking some activity on the part of the Negroes in Greensboro. (C)

During March, 1969, [REDACTED] North Carolina, Police Department, advised that in connection with a strike by dining hall employees at A and T University which started March 12, 1969, racial violence erupted which included sniping at police officers. Included in this violence on March 13, 1969, was the looting of Sid's Curb Market, East Market Street, Greensboro, North Carolina. [REDACTED] stated that on March 25, 1969, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that date furnished him with the following leaflet showing the demands upon the administration of A and T State University: //

NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY
Greensboro

On Thursday night, March 13, 1969, the Greensboro police, without regard to humane standards of safety, carelessly and recklessly fired upon students at this university, wounding by gunshot three students and a visitor to our campus from the Greensboro community. The Greensboro police purposely sought out and illegally arrested students at our university and members of the black community while, at the same time, all cars containing blacks were stopped, machine guns pointed at the passengers, and illegally searched as cars containing whites were, in the same setting, re-routed, not stopped, and not searched. The Greensboro police did flagrantly intrude upon our campus, firing at students, and endangering the safety of all students at this university.

It is, therefore, that We, the undersigned, as students at this university, do strongly denounce the actions of the Greensboro police on the night stated herein, and very strongly demand that the administration at this university release a PUBLIC STATEMENT denouncing the actions of the Greensboro police and explain:

- (a) the relationship which the administration has with the Greensboro police department;
- (b) why members of the Greensboro police department were on the campus proper Tuesday, March 12, through Friday, March 14, 1969;
- (c) whether or not the administration invited the Greensboro police upon our campus proper;
- (d) whether or not the administration sanctioned the presence of the Greensboro police upon our campus proper;
- (e) why the administration has thus far remained silent on the actions of the Greensboro police and the wounding of our fellow students and the brother from the Greensboro community by Greensboro police on the night stated herein.

THIS PUBLIC STATEMENT BY THE ADMINISTRATION MUST BE RELEASED
NO LATER THAN MONDAY MARCH 24, 1969 by 4:00 P.M.

SIGNED

[redacted] said that it is not the intention of A and T State University to meet any of the demands made in the leaflet. He said that some 900 signatures had appeared on the original list of demands that was presented to the Administration.

According to [redacted] the only people ever reported injured during the shooting on March 13, 1969, were [redacted] a student at A and T State University and [redacted] a non-student. Neither of these individuals were seriously injured, [redacted] said. (u)

[redacted] stated that [redacted] had advised him that although the deadline set for the Administration to make a public statement was March 24, 1969, by 4 P. M., that this had been extended until March 25, 1969, at 4 P. M., but the Administration still intends to make no public statement in connection with these demands. (u)

On [redacted] reported that ERIC BROWN, BPP leader, and student at A and T State University, had stated that he, BROWN, was active in preparing the list of demands against the administration, urging them to condemn the police for having fired at A and T State University students. (u)

On [redacted] advised that the Black Panthers in Greensboro were upset over the fact that [redacted] and two others had been arrested on the night of March 13, 1969, during a shooting incident at A and T State University. (u)

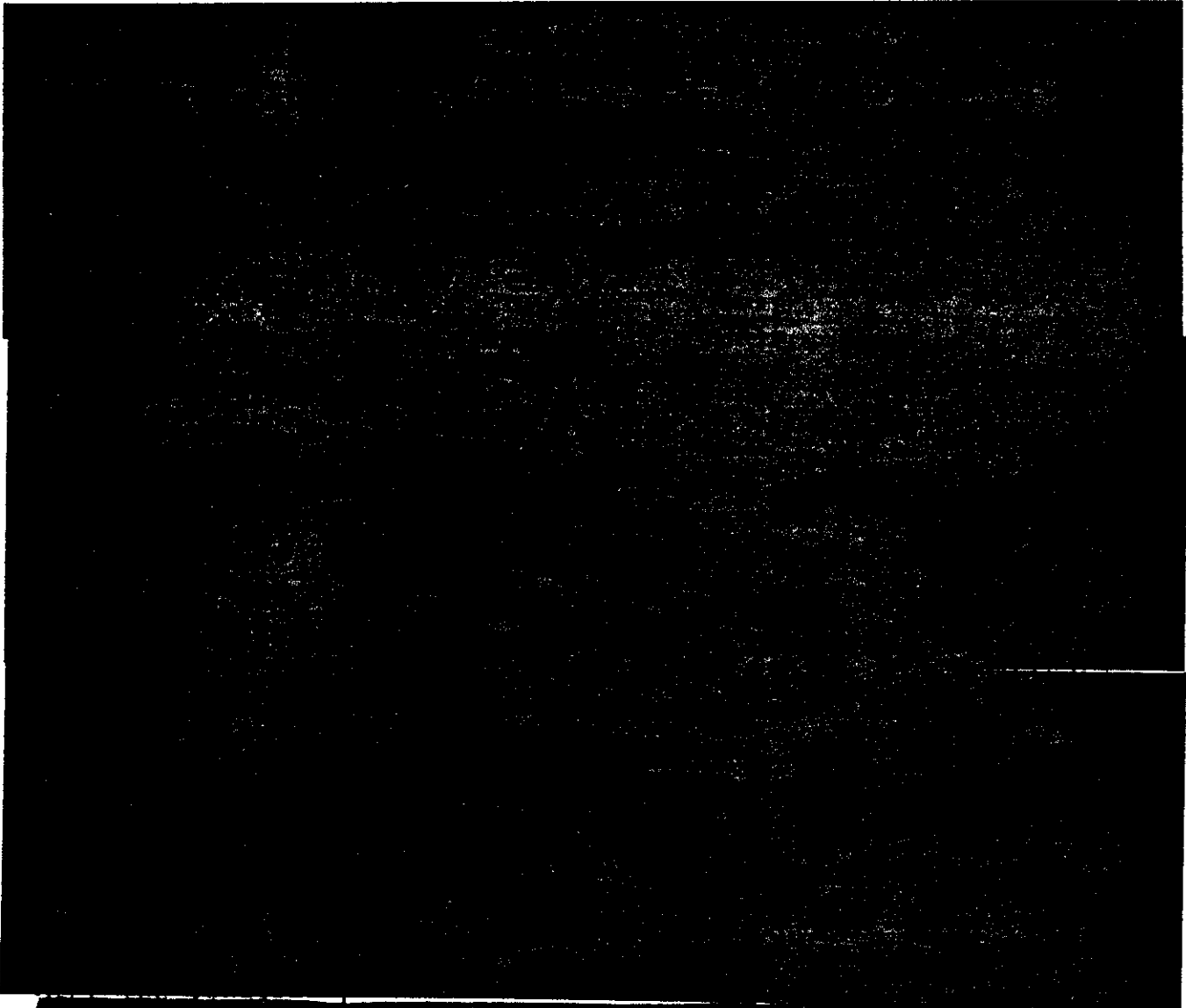
[redacted] reported that [redacted] was arrested in an automobile along with two other individuals in possession of a pistol; however, the case was later dismissed due to an improperly drawn warrant. (u)

On March 30, 1969, [redacted] reported that [redacted] had been arrested by the Greensboro Police Department on charges of robbery in connection with the break-in at Sid's Curb Market. The BPP members are attempting to raise bond money for [redacted] On [redacted] advised that WALTER BRAME made the statement he was glad [redacted] was in jail and indicated that he is making an effort to take over all the BPP leadership. (u)

On [redacted] advised that on April 16, 1969, ERIC BROWN, also known as Brother PASCHA, led a political education class at A and T State University, Greensboro. BROWN discussed the BPP program, the need for black education, and getting white stores out of black communities. (u)

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On [REDACTED] advised that a representative from Oakland, California, was in Greensboro trying to get the BPP organized. [REDACTED] stated that when they get the BPP together, and not in various small groups as it is now, he was going to make Greensboro pay for what it did to him when he was arrested in connection with the robbery at Sid's Curb Market. [REDACTED] admitted that he robbed the man but stated he was mad for having been put in jail under high bond.



[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] seems to think he can beat the case against him in Superior Court.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] later advised that [REDACTED] was tried on charges of breaking and entering, and common-law robbery, both felonies in North Carolina. He was found guilty, however, filed Notice of Appeal and as of May 22, 1969, was still confined in the Guilford County Jail in lieu of bond.

On [REDACTED] advised that a meeting of black militants was held in Greensboro, led by WALTER BRAME, a member of the BPP, urging everyone to support CLAUDE BARNES, another member of the BPP, who was refused permission by school officials to run for student body officer.

On [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised that at about 11:00 A. M., May 9, 1969, 100 students at Dudley High School, all Negroes, walked out of the school. At about 12:30 P. M. on May 9, 1969, a minor accident between two automobiles occurred directly in front of Dudley High School. On the arrival of the first police car to investigate the accident, students poured from the high school and approximately 400 to 500 students surrounded the accident. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that it appeared that 75 to 100 people in the crowd were not students from the high school. Recognized in the crowd were NELSON NAPOLEON JOHNSON and ROBERT EVANS, both BPP leaders. NELSON JOHNSON talked with the students in the school gymnasium and due to the situation, school was dismissed.

According to [REDACTED] continued agitation has occurred at Dudley High School concerning the situation of CLAUDE BARNES, BPP member. On May 21, 1969, demonstration at the school resulted in rocks being thrown through the school windows and the use of tear gas by the police to disperse the crowds. Sniper fire started on the evening of May 21, 1969, and the National Guard has been mobilized.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Winston-Salem, North Carolina

On February 20, 1969, [REDACTED] reported that there were apparent attempts by the BPP members at Greensboro, North Carolina, to contact students at Winston-Salem State Teachers College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. [REDACTED] reported that HARRY W. TYSON, a Negro male, [REDACTED] Pennsylvania, was the apparent leader of the students interested in becoming members of the BPP. (u)

[REDACTED] reported that on [REDACTED] ERIC PATRICK BROWN, [REDACTED] Winston-Salem, North Carolina, [REDACTED] a group of individuals at a place known as The House of Commons, which appears to be a neighborhood community center. Fifteen persons were in attendance and BROWN indicated that all activity in the name of the BPP at Winston-Salem, with the exception of political education classes, is to cease due to the fact no charter has been obtained from the BPP Headquarters. A portion of the meeting was taken up with ERIC BROWN having [REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] a student at Winston-Salem State Teachers College, and [REDACTED] who worked with "Experiment and Self Reliance", Winston-Salem, North Carolina, have in the past been in contact with individuals from Greensboro, North Carolina, concerning BPP matters. [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] however, has determined they made plans to affiliate Black Panthers at Greensboro with the militant individuals in Winston-Salem, so that they may more easily raise the \$300 for the charter from California. (u)

On [REDACTED] advised that members of the BPP at Greensboro traveled to Winston-Salem, North Carolina. The purpose was to collect money for bond and defense of [REDACTED] who is in jail in Greensboro, North Carolina. (u)

On [REDACTED] advised that a BPP sponsored party had recently been held at the Negro American Legion Post in Winston-Salem. THURMOND DUBOISE and HARRY TYSON gave the party and sold mixed drinks specifically to assist in raising the \$300 for the charter from California. (u)

On [REDACTED] reported there had been a meeting the previous evening at 7:30 P. M. at Winston-Salem, [REDACTED] however, Black Panther members were involved. [REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] reported that on [REDACTED] ERIC BROWN had indicated that three or four members of the BPP at Greensboro were going to Winston-Salem that date to hold a rally. Information was later received from [REDACTED] that ERIC BROWN and three others did go to Winston-Salem, where a rally was held by the BPP. W. E. M. BRYANT, JR. stated that CHICO NEBLETT, the BPP leader for the East Coast, had been in Greensboro on Tuesday, April 22, 1969, and had given ERIC BROWN permission to have the rally at Winston-Salem. (u)

B. Asheville, North Carolina

On April 26, 1969, CE-T-6 reported that [REDACTED] from Asheville, North Carolina, has indicated a desire to organize a BPP chapter in the Asheville, North Carolina, area. [REDACTED] has contacted the national headquarters of the BPP and has indicated a desire to go to California in June, 1969, to receive his indoctrination and instructions. (u)

C. Durham, North Carolina

On May 12, 1969, [REDACTED] Foundation for Community Development, Main Street, Durham, North Carolina, advised that [REDACTED] who acts as [REDACTED] for the foundation, had made the arrangements and brought CHICO NEBLETT to teach and speak for one day at the Malcolm X Liberation University during April, 1969; however, he did not hear NEBLETT speak. [REDACTED] advised that he was not aware of the existence of any BPP in Durham, North Carolina, although, according to his information, CHICO NEBLETT is associated with the BPP. (u)

On May 20, 1969, [REDACTED] Foundation For Community Development, Durham, North Carolina, telephonically contacted a Special Agent of the FBI concerning another matter, at which time he volunteered information that the Malcolm X University intended to expose black people to diverse political ideologies relevant to black people. Included would be that of the BPP and in fact, CARVER GENE NEBLETT had addressed a group at Durham concerning the program of the BPP. (u)

D. Fayetteville, North Carolina

On [REDACTED] reported that the Afro-American Student Organization at Fayetteville State College, Fayetteville, North Carolina, was sponsoring a "Black Political Education Program" during the week of April 21-25, 1969. Listed (u)

as speakers for the program are CHICO NEBLETT, East Coast Field Marshal of the BPP, and KOKO HUGHES, Central Coordinator of the BPP. [REDACTED] advised other scheduled speakers during the week would be Q. T. JACKSON, Vice President of the Student Government of Howard University, Washington, D. C., and J. T. McQUEEN, President of the Black Student Union, George Washington University, Washington, D. C. (u)

[REDACTED] advised that JAMES GARRETT, Head of the Black Studies Department, Federal City College, Washington, D. C., and PAUL MONROE, Acting Chairman of the Black Student Union Alliance, Washington, D. C., DON L. LEE, Cornell University, and CLEVELAND SELLERS, Instructor in Black Ideology at Cornell University, are scheduled to appear as speakers during the program and workshops. (u)

On April 21, 1969, [REDACTED] advised that KOKO HUGHES is an alias of DOROTHY JEAN McQUEEN HUGHES, who is the former Washington, D. C., secretary to STOKELY CARMICHAEL and who is closely associated with the BPP. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that HUGHES departed Washington, D. C., on Piedmont Airlines for Fayetteville, North Carolina, on April 21, 1969, and is to be met by CARVER GENE NEBLETT, also known as CHICO NEBLETT, and both are to participate in a forum at an unknown college in the Fayetteville, North Carolina, area. (u)

[REDACTED] advised the purpose of the program is to emphasize the need for political education in the black community and the implementation of "total liberation of the black people" (u)

On [REDACTED] advised the Black Political Education Program opened at 6:30 P. M. on April 21, 1969, with a meeting in the quadrangle of the dining hall on campus. The first speaker was CHICO NEBLETT who outlined the policies of the BPP and made the following quotes: (u)

"We Black Panthers do not advocate war, we don't talk of hating honkies but of any undying love for ourselves and our people."

"We black have been robbed by the white of our money, housing, food, culture and identity. We have been raped and robbed of our humanity so systematically that we don't even realize it." (u)

██████████ advised after the opening speech by NEBLETT before approximately three hundred people, that a workshop was held, attended by about ninety persons, in which NEBLETT talked about the "white man has robbed the Indians, Negroes, Africans, and have created germicide, but yet the white call us blacks violent." NEBLETT again stated the Black Panthers do not advocate violence or war, and the only reason for carrying guns was to protect themselves from the impulsive "white fool." NEBLETT explained the BPP Ten Point Plan and said the greatest of the points was to "free all black prisoners", and for "black men to be exempt from the military service." ██████████ stated in essence NEBLETT was saying that the only way to deal with the white man was through violence because that is the only thing the white man understands.

██████████ stated NEBLETT was not too overly impressive in his talks but did speak with a very militant tone and stressed militancy throughout his talks. The students did not appear too interested in the BPP, and no application or inference was made for the students to join the party. During the workshop, CE-T-15 stated the students continuously inquired of NEBLETT the reason for the BPP, their aims, purposes, and just how students would be helpful to the party. The BPP talks by NEBLETT did not appear to influence the students and there was very little support or encouragement for the party at the workshop. It was apparent that CHICO was not too enthused with the reception of the students.

██████████ stated KOKO HUGHES talked a very short time with the women, stressing the importance of the black woman in the black community and in society today. She told the women that they should improve their image, change their hair style to Afro, wear the right type of clothing and to become African and believe in the Black awareness.

██████████ advised that KOKO HUGHES reportedly was leaving Fayetteville either the evening of April 21, 1969, or April 22, 1969. ██████████ stated ██████████ observed CHICO driving a 1967-1969 Corvette Stingray, dark beige in color, bearing New York License, number unknown. ██████████ stated ██████████ did not know how long CHICO would remain on campus.

On ██████████ ██████████ advised that the scheduled speakers, Q. T. JACKSON and J. T. McQUEEN, both failed to appear at the college and did not speak, therefore, the programs for April 22, 1969, and April 23, 1969, were not conducted. ██████████ stated a play, "Halleluiah, Baby", was being presented on campus on Thursday and Friday, April 24 and 25, 1969, as part of the program.

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On April 25, 1969, [REDACTED] advised no other workshops in connection with the Black Political Education Program were held inasmuch as the scheduled speakers failed to appear for the program. [REDACTED] stated the play will be held on April 25, 1969, which will close the program. [REDACTED] stated the program was very loosely organized and was considered a failure as none of the scheduled speakers, except CHICO and KOKO appeared. CE T-15 stated that the talks by the Black Panthers did not appear to be overly impressive to the students and through inquiry he was unable to obtain any information that the BPP has any support on the campus.

On April 25, 1969, [REDACTED] positively identified a photograph of CARVER GENE NEBLETT, also known as CHICO, and MURPHY JEAN McQUEEN HUGHES, also known as KOKO, as being identical to the two speakers on April 21, 1969.

BLACK PANTHER PARTY

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December, 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics, and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by BOBBY GEORGE SEALE, BPP Chairman, and HUEY P. NEWTON, BPP Minister of Defense. NEWTON is presently serving a sentence of 2 to 15 years on a conviction of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland police officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther," which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service," states that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, GEORGE MASON MURRAY, which ends with the following:

"Black men. Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement, "...we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung of the People's Republic of China and feature MAO's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

STUDENT NONVIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE
SNCC

The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), headquartered at 360-362 Nelson Street, S. W., Atlanta, Georgia, is a nonmembership organization, which was born out of the sit-in movement that erupted across the South beginning in 1960.

Today SNCC identifies itself as an organization in the revolutionary vanguard. It advocates that to be successful it is necessary to develop a revolutionary ideology and revolutionary program.

According to SNCC, the year 1967 marked a historic milestone in the struggle for the liberation of black people in the United States and the year that revolutionaries throughout the world began to understand more fully the impact of the black movement. SNCC declared that "liberation will come only when there is final destruction of this mad octopus - the capitalistic system of the United States with all its life-sucking tentacles of exploitation and racism that choke the people of Africa, Asia, and Latin America. The realities of black life, together with the recognition instilled in SNCC workers forced its members to further popularize the legitimacy of self-defense and rebellions when oppression became too great."

From May, 1966, until May, 1967, Stokely Carmichael was National Chairman of SNCC. As of July, 1968, Carmichael resided in Washington, D. C., where he was affiliated with SNCC and active as temporary chairman of a black coalition group. In May, 1967, Carmichael was replaced by Hubert Geroid Brown, commonly known as H. Rap Brown, who served until June, 1968.

In June, 1968, at the Staff and Central Committee meeting of SNCC held in Atlanta, Georgia, it was decided to restructure the organization by equalization of responsibility by creating ten deputy or vice chairmanships. The primary purpose for this change is to take law enforcement pressure off any single individual.

ORGANIZATION OF AFRO-AMERICAN UNITY, INC. (OAAU)

On June, 28, 1964, Malcolm X Little, founder and leader of the Muslim Mosque, Inc. (MMI), publicly announced the formation of a new, all-Negro, militant civil rights action group to be known as the Organization of Afro-American Unity (OAAU), with himself as Chairman. This announcement was made at a public rally held by the MMI in the Audubon Ballroom, Broadway and 166th Streets, New York City.

A printed and published statement of basic OAAU aims read by Malcolm X at this meeting indicates that it shall include "all" people of African descent in the Western Hemisphere, as well as "our" brothers and sisters on the African continent. It is patterned after the "letter and spirit" of the Organization of African Unity established (by African heads of States) at Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in May, 1963.

A recording of the remarks of Malcolm X at this meeting indicates that the aim of the OAAU is to eliminate differences between Negroes so they can work together for "Human Rights," while the initial objective is to "inter-nationalize" the American civil rights movement by taking it to the United Nations. Little condemned the nonviolent civil rights movement and claims that Negroes should be taught to protect themselves, when and if necessary. The OAAU will sponsor a program for Negroes in education, politics, culture, economics and social reform.

Malcolm X was assassinated on February 21, 1965, while addressing an OAAU rally at the Audubon Ballroom, New York City.

On April 13, 1965, a source advised that on March 26, 1965, the OAAU filed a Certificate of Incorporation with the Department of State, State of New York, Albany, New York, and henceforth the organization's true name would be Organization of Afro-American Unity, Incorporated.

On February 28, 1966, a second source advised that the president and head of the OAAU is Ella Collins, a half-sister of the late Malcolm X who resides in the Harlem Section of New York City.

On May 8, 1967, the first source advised that the headquarters of the OAAU is located at 224 West 39th Street, New York, New York, which is the residence of Ella Collins.



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BLACK PANTHER PARTY

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RACIAL MATTERS

Reference

Report of SA [REDACTED]
dated May 23, 1969, at Charlotte,
North Carolina, captioned as
above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

Insufficient contact has been had with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
upon which to judge their reliability.

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TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: CHARLOTTE 157-6527 2P

AFRO-AMERICAN UNITY ORGANIZATION, PROPOSED RALLY AT
CHARLOTTE, N. C., MAY TWENTY-FOUR SIXTY-NINE. RM

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF JEROME CLIFTON JOHNSON, LOCAL NEGRO MILITANT, INTENDS TO STAGE A RALLY ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MAY TWENTY FOUR SIXTY NINE AT CORNER OF BEATTYS FORD ROAD AND OAKLAWN AVE. IN CHARLOTTE. [REDACTED] STATES REASON FOR RALLY UNKNOWN BUT INFORMANT ADVISES JOHNSON HOPES FOR A "POLICE CONFRONTATION" AT TIME OF RALLY. JEROME CLIFTON JOHNSON AND BENJAMIN FRANKLIN CHAVIS, JR., ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE AFRO-AMERICAN UNITY ORGANIZATION (AAUO) ARE SCHEDULED SPEAKERS AT THE RALLY.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] INFORMATION REFLECTS THAT ALL MEMBERS OF AAUO ARE BEING REQUESTED TO WEAR BLACK BERETS, BLACK SHIRTS AND PANTS, SIMILAR TO GARB OF BLACK PANTHER PARTY MEMBERS. MAY 22 1969

END PAGE ONE

Included in summary to White House
and Attorney General. Date 5/20/69

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AAUO HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS A LOCAL CHARLOTTE GROUP WHICH HAS BEEN UNSUCCESSFULLY ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN A CHARTER FROM THE BPP IN OAKLAND, CALIF. [REDACTED] SAID THAT MICHAEL LANEY, NINETEEN YEAR OLD BLACK MILITANT YOUTH, WHO IS A CONFEDERATE OF JOHNSONS AND MEMBER OF THE AAUO, WILL BE IN CHARGE OF "SECURITY" AND AS SUCH WILL PROBABLY ENLIST AID OF OTHER MEMBERS OF AAUO AND SHOULDER WEAPONS WILL PROBABLY BE DISPLAYED.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ACTUAL RALLY IS TO BE HELD ON PRIVATE PROPERTY OF PORK AND RIB RESTAURANT, CORNER OF BEATTYS FORD ROAD AND OAKLAWN AVE.

LOCAL AND STATE AUTHORITIES COGNIZANT.

MILITARY AND SECRET SERVICE ADVISED.

LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

CHARLOTTE WILL FOLLOW AND KEEP BUREAU AND INTERESTED AGENCIES APPRISED.

END.

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FBI WASH DC

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Date: 5/12/69

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6759) (P)

SUBJECT: WALK OUT BY STUDENTS
DUDLEY HIGH SCHOOL
GREENSBORO, N. C.
5/9/69
RM

Re Charlotte teletype dated 5/9/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of LHM concerning above incident. Copies being disseminated locally to Military Intelligence and Secret Service.

Copies of LHM being disseminated locally to MIG and SS.

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All investigation at Greensboro, N. C., conducted by SA [REDACTED]

LEAD:

CHARLOTTE

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AT GREENSBORO, N. C.

Will follow situation and keep Bureau advised.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Charlotte, North Carolina
May 12, 1969

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WALK OUT BY STUDENTS
DUDLEY HIGH SCHOOL
GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA
MAY 9, 1969
RACIAL MATTERS

On May 9, 1969, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised a situation had developed at Dudley High School, an all Negro school, that might well result in trouble. CLAUDE BARNES, a Black Panther Party member, who is a student at Dudley High School, tried to run for President of the Student Body at that school. Mr. FRANKLIN BROWN, Principal of Dudley High School, refused BARNES permission to run because of his association with the Black Panther Party.

The situation has grown more tense after a number of students tried to write in BARNES name for the office and BARNES and other Black Panther Party members now claim that he was elected but that the administration is refusing him permission to serve.

On the afternoon of May 8, 1969, WALTER BRAME, Black Panther Party leader in Greensboro, North Carolina, called a meeting of Dudley High School students in Nocho Park, near the school. He exhorted them to support the movement against the administration because of the manner in which they had treated BARNES. They made demands of the principal, Mr. BROWN, that he confer with BARNES and other members of the Black Panther Party about the situation and gave him until noon on May 9, 1969, to comply with this demand. [REDACTED] Mr. BROWN has refused to meet the demand and he had received information that a number of the students plan to walk out of Dudley High School at 11:15 a.m. on May 9, 1969, in protest.

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WALK OUT BY STUDENTS
DUDLEY HIGH SCHOOL
GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA
MAY 9, 1969

CE T-1 advised on May 9, 1969, that on the afternoon of May 8, 1969, WALTER BRAME had met with about 100 Dudley High School students in Nocho Park. BRAME had urged them to protest the administration's actions against BARNES but had told them he did not want them to participate in any violence. CE T-1 said that [REDACTED] did not know what sort of support BRAME would receive but [REDACTED] understood that if the students walked out, they would be expelled. [REDACTED] said that if the students are expelled, then [REDACTED] feels that there might very well be some violence from this action.

A characterization of the Black Panther Party is attached as an appendix to this memorandum.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Charlotte, North Carolina

May 12, 1969

*In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.*

Title WALK OUT BY STUDENTS
DUDLEY HIGH SCHOOL
GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA
MAY 9, 1969

Character RACIAL MATTERS

Reference Memorandum at Charlotte, North
Carolina, dated and captioned as
above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

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Date: 5/15/69

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706 Sub 8)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-2861)

SUBJECT: BPP - CHARLOTTE DIVISION
RM - BPP

[REDACTED], a highly confidential source, whose information should not be disseminated without adequate paraphrasing, advised as follows on 5/12/69:

A man named [REDACTED] at the Foundation for Community Development, telephone number 688-8249, or 8243, and [REDACTED] of the Malcolm X University in Durham, were interested in taking out an advertisement in the Black Panther Newspaper to announce the recruitment of students and resource personnel.

It was not indicated that either of these men were members of the BPP at this time.

The above information is furnished to Charlotte to indicate the interest in the BPP Newspaper on the part of the two above individuals.

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Charlotte (157-6171) (RM)
- 2 - San Francisco
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FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171) (P)

BLACK PANTHER PARTY
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(Both of the above furnished their information

to SA [REDACTED]

CE T-3 is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] who furnished [REDACTED] information to SA [REDACTED]

CE T-4 is [REDACTED] who furnished [REDACTED] information
to SA [REDACTED]

Observation at Belmont, N. C., and contact with

[REDACTED] was by
SA [REDACTED]

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Charlotte, in reviewing the most recent information concerning the Black Panther Party (BPP), has determined that a charter has not been issued to a Black Panther unit in North Carolina, however, informants report that the groups in Charlotte, N. C., and Greensboro, N. C., both have hopes of receiving charters at a later date.

LEADS:

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Will follow and report pertinent developments within the BPP in their organizational efforts.

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On April 19, 1969, CE T-2 advised that W. E. M. BRYANT, JR., has opened a shop on East Market Street, Greensboro, where BPP members hang out. At this shop BRYANT sells all sorts of literature, including the Black Panther newspaper and various publications and material of black culture.

On April 30, 1969, CE T-3 made available information received at Winston-Salem, North Carolina, that the house of Keesi Umoja, 1621 East Market Street, Greensboro, is a marketplace for black cultural items.

RE: BLACK PANTHER PARTY

T-3 also stated that [REDACTED] a student at Winston-Salem State Teachers College; and [REDACTED] who worked with [REDACTED], both Winston-Salem, North Carolina, have in the past been in contact with individuals from Greensboro, North Carolina, concerning BPP matters. [REDACTED] however, has determined that plans were discussed to affiliate Black Panthers at Greensboro with militant individuals in Winston-Salem so that they may more easily raise the \$300 for a charter from California. (u)

[REDACTED] black students at Belmont Abbey College, Belmont, North Carolina, assisted by members of the BPP at Charlotte, North Carolina, were to take over the Science Building at Belmont Abbey College. [REDACTED] during the takeover [REDACTED] of Charlotte, North Carolina, furnished the Negro students at Belmont Abbey chains and two rifles for use in barricading themselves inside the building. On May 6, 1969, a Special Agent of the FBI observed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] among a group of persons milling around the Administration Building at Belmont Abbey College, Belmont, North Carolina. [REDACTED] has previously reported these individuals, with the exception of [REDACTED] along with [REDACTED] all consider themselves members of the BPP, however, as of May 5, 1969, have not received a charter from the California Headquarters of the BPP. (u)

On May 5, 1969, [REDACTED] advised that on May 3, 1969, a group of approximately ten Negro males and females gathered at the intersection of Oaklawn Avenue and Beatties Ford Road for approximately one and one-half hours where they gave the Black Panther salute with their fists in the air, and shouted abuse at police cars patrolling the area, such as "pig" and "honky" and for them to leave the area. [REDACTED] noted that a number of these individuals had shoulder weapons such as rifles and shotguns and machetes, however, there is no state law prohibiting their carrying these weapons on a public street unconcealed.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Charlotte, North Carolina

May 8, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-6171

Title	BLACK PANTHER PARTY
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY
Reference	Memorandum at Charlotte, North Carolina, dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

CE T-1, with whom identification contact has been had from which to judge his reliability.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706)

DATE: 5/6/69

SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171) (P)

SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RACIAL MATTER

Re New York letter to Bureau dated 4/16/69 captioned
ROGER (LNU) identified by Charlotte [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Racial Matters - BPP.

As the Bureau and New York are aware [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AVENT
to New York on [REDACTED] Other than through AVENT's
organizational efforts concerning the Black Panther
Party (BPP), no Charlotte informant can positively
identify AVENT as a member of the true BPP. AVENT was
brought to Greensboro, N. C., shortly after Christmas,
1968, by ERIC BROWN. New York should note that at the
time of the arrest of [REDACTED] Deputy Minister
of Defense BPP, on 1/23/69, at New York City by Bureau
agents, [REDACTED] had in his possession an attaché case. New
York has advised Charlotte that a section of this case
contained a list of documents with the handwritten
"Project Number 3," printed at the top of each document.
Included in this was a "fact sheet on the case of Brother
ERIC BROWN," and also information attributed to BOB
COLLIER, Deputy Minister of Education, New York, to the
effect that COLLIER had sent "Lt. AVENT" to North Carolina.

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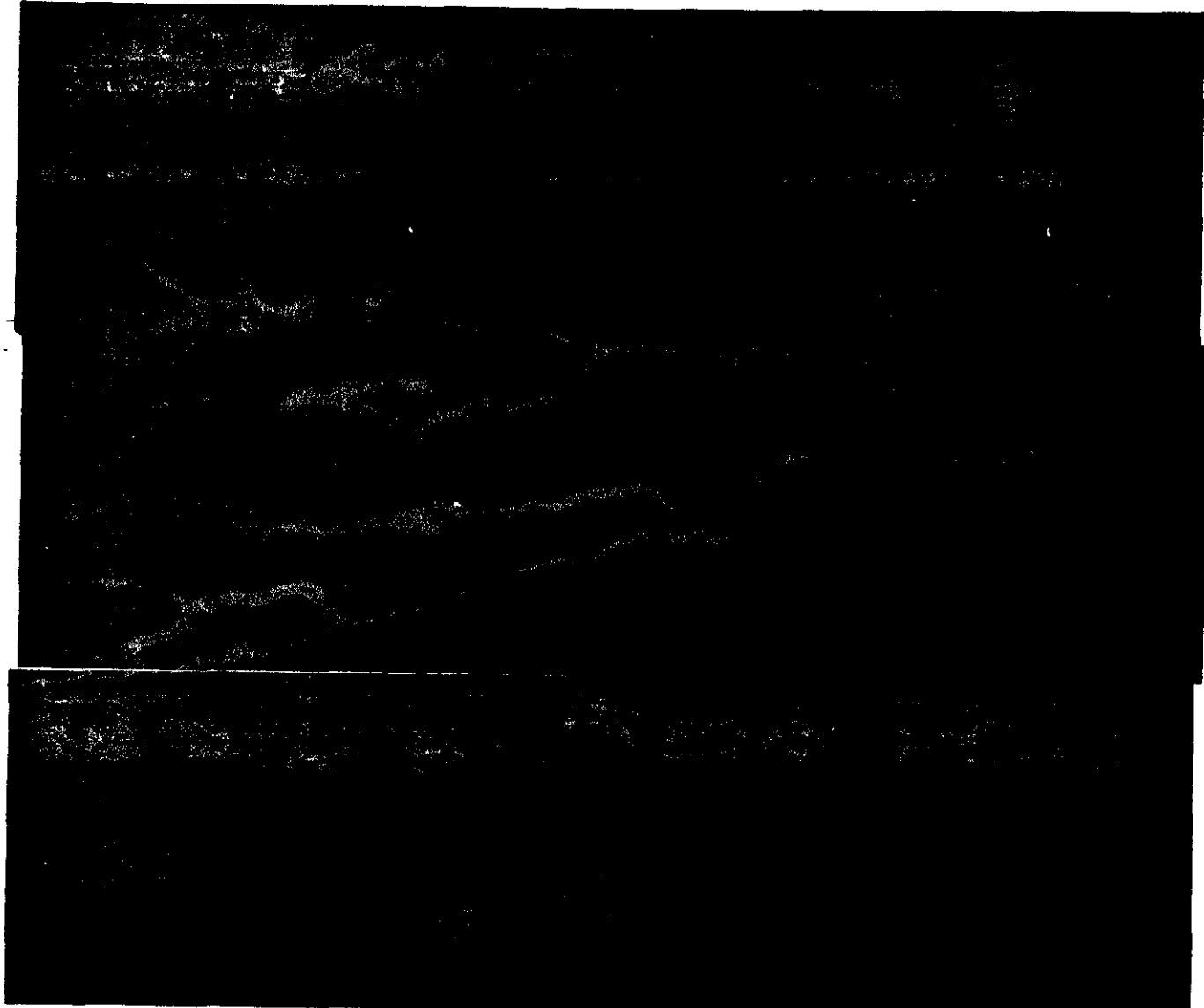
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There was also a newspaper clipping from the 12/13/68 issue of "The A&T Register" published at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Greensboro, N. C.

The above would definitely identify ERIC BROWN as a member of the real BPP since the facts of his case and his expulsion from A&T State University were related in the document in the possession of [REDACTED]

Since ERIC BROWN brought HAROLD AVENT to Greensboro with him and AVENT was active in working with BROWN in trying to effect his re-admission to A&T State University, the conclusion would naturally be reached that AVENT was also a member of the BPP.



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WALK-OUT BY STUDENT DUDLEY HIGH SCHOOL, GREENSBORO, N.C.,
MAY NINE, NINETEEN SIXTYNINE. RACIAL MATTERS.

ADVISED STUDENTS AT DUDLEY HIGH SCHOOL, AN ALL NEGRO SCHOOL,
ARE PLANNING TO WALK-OUT AT ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM., MAY NINE
INSTANT.

CLAUDE BARNES, BLACK PANTHER PARTY MEMBER, AT DUDLEY
HIGH SCHOOL, WAS REFUSED PERMISSION TO RUN FOR PRES. OF
STUDENT BODY. WALTER BRAME, BLACK PANTHER PARTY LEADER,
HELD A MEETING OF DUDLEY STUDENTS AFTERNOON OF MAY EIGHT LAST.

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HE URGED STUDENTS TO WALK-OUT IN PROTEST SINCE BARNES WAS
NOT PERMITTED TO RUN FOR OFFICE AND PRINCIPAL OF HIGH
SCHOOL REFUSES TO CONFER ON THE MATTER.

SITUATION WILL BE FOLLOWED CLOSELY AND BUREAU ADVISED.

LHM FOLLOWS.

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Date: 4/22/69

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706-Sub 8)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171)

SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY
NEW HAVEN DIVISION
RM

Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau, 4/18/69.

One copy of referenced airtel is enclosed for the New York Division.

For the information of New Haven and San Francisco, by airtel dated 2/24/69 captioned, [REDACTED] aka. RM - BPP," the New York Office has advised that [REDACTED] Deputy Minister of Defense, Black Panther Party, was arrested by Bureau Agents at John Fitzgerald Kennedy Airport, New York City, on 1/23/69. [REDACTED] had at that time an attaché case which contained numerous notes and other data. One of these was a two-page document on BPP status captioned, "Report of Activities to Date," attributed to "Deputy Minister of Education, BOB COLLIER." In this document under the subcaption 1/5/69 through 1/15/69, COLLIER related how he sent "Lieutenant AVENT" to North Carolina to organize the A&T campus. He claimed that AVENT was successful in the request for the readmission of "Brother PASHA" to A&T. COLLIER also noted that AVENT had organized two chapters possibly of BPP and was currently working on political education meetings as well as structuring the chapters.

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - New Haven (RM)
- 2 - New York (Encl. 1) (RM)
- 2 - San Francisco (157-3043) (RM)
- 4 - Charlotte
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[REDACTED] ERIC PATRICK BROWN uses the name Brother PASHA, and [REDACTED] Lieutenant AVENT is HAROLD HENRY AVENT, aka, Nunding. Based on this information, it would appear that BOB COLLIER is the subject of the New York Office, and Charlotte has received no information that COLLIER has personally come to North Carolina. Charlotte informants have reported that NUNDING has departed North Carolina and is in difficulty with BPP leadership. Charlotte indices contain no information identifiable with [REDACTED] and it would appear that he is a subject of the New Haven Office.

LEADS:

New York is requested to advise Charlotte the status of BOB COLLIER, Deputy Minister of Education for the BPP and also to advise of any additional organizers working under the command of COLLIER, furnishing photographs of both COLLIER and the additional organizers to the Charlotte Division for viewing by appropriate informants. New York should also advise if [REDACTED] who apparently has an interest in the North Carolina BPP activities, is known to that office and submit a photograph.

New Haven is requested to furnish any information available, including photographs, of BPP organizers active in North Carolina at the present time. New Haven is also requested to search indices and furnish available data of [REDACTED]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706 Sub 8)
 FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171) (P)
 BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP)
 RM

Re Director's airtel to SAC, Boston, 4/16/69.

Reairtel set forth that an unidentified Black Panther apparently from Boston was currently in N. C. purchasing guns for the use of the BPP in the south end of Boston.

Review of information from Charlotte informants indicates the only known out-of-state Black Panther from the Northeast presently in N. C. would be [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was to attend a week-long forum to be held at Fayetteville State Teachers College, Fayetteville, N. C. which was to start on the night of 4/21/69. [REDACTED] one [REDACTED] a BPP organizer for the East Coast, was to come to N. C. to get the N. C. Panthers straightened out.

Boston should immediately advise Charlotte and New York if the present whereabouts or itinerary is known concerning [REDACTED] as he may be the unidentified person mentioned in referenced Bureau airtel.

Charlotte will contact logical informants to determine activities of [REDACTED] while in N. C.

- 2 - Bureau (RM) 100- [REDACTED] REC-3 105-165706-8-23
 3 - Boston (2 - 157-654) (1 - 100-37622) (RM)
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 1 - San Francisco (Info) (RM)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706-Sub 8)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-2861)
SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY-
CHARLOTTE DIVISION
RM

On 4/21/69, [redacted] reported that an individual who identified himself only as Brother [redacted] from Greensborough, North Carolina, contacted BPP National Headquarters, Berkeley, California. [redacted] indicated he operates a book store known as [redacted] Greensborough, North Carolina. He inquired about shipments of "The Black Panther" newspaper and also indicated an interest in selling phonograph records of speeches by ELDRIDGE CLEAVER. *pd*

Also another individual who identified himself [redacted] also known as [redacted] from Greensborough, North Carolina talked to BPP National Headquarters indicating he wished to contact DAVID HILLIARD, BPP National Chief of Staff, concerning a chapter for a BPP Chapter at Greensborough. DAVID HILLIARD was not available to talk to [redacted] at this time, and [redacted] was advised by the National Headquarters representative that [redacted] has no authority at this time to organize a BPP Chapter.

[redacted] further indicated that he and another BPP Brother, whom he did not name had traveled to North Carolina from New York specifically to organize the North Carolina Chapter. The National Headquarters representative emphasized that they had no authority to organize such a chapter until one of them had visited National Headquarters and had been

- ② - Bureau (105-165706-Sub 8) (RM)
- 2 - Charlotte (157-6171)
- 3 - San Francisco (157-2861)
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properly indoctrinated in how to organize a chapter.

Source was unable to determine if any plans were made for [REDACTED] or his associate to come to National Headquarters for the necessary indoctrination.

The above information is furnished the Charlotte Division to assist in identifying BPP organizations and members and to determine the activity thereof.

If any of the above information is disseminated outside the Bureau, it should be suitably paraphrased to protect this very sensitive source.

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Date: 4/18/69

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706-SUB 5)
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171) (P)

BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Charlotte letter to Bureau 4/10/69.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM regarding captioned matter. Copies of the LHM are being disseminated locally to Military Intelligence Agencies and Secret Service. Two copies of the LHM are being furnished the below listed offices for their information.

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CE T-3 is [REDACTED] who furnished [REDACTED]
information to SA [REDACTED]

CE T-4 is [REDACTED] who furnished [REDACTED]
information to SA [REDACTED]

Charlotte will continue to follow and report
pertinent developments within the Black Panther Party,
Charlotte, N.C.

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Charlotte, North Carolina
April 18, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RACIAL MATTERS

Reference is made to memorandum at Charlotte, North Carolina, dated March 12, 1969, captioned as above.

[REDACTED] reported that HAROLD AVENT, also known as Nunding, had departed Greensboro, North Carolina, by air for New York. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that NUNDING since his trip to New York in February, 1969, had only been in Greensboro, North Carolina, since March 22, 1969. NUNDING has stated that, after returning to Greensboro, North Carolina, he had been in Connecticut, California and Cincinnati, Ohio, during the time he was out of Greensboro, North Carolina.

On [REDACTED] 1969, [REDACTED] advised that the Afro-American Unity Organization at Charlotte, North Carolina, the name under which JEROME JOHNSON and BEN CHAVIS are attempting to form a chapter of the Black Panther Party, has not received a charter. The reason for this as stated by JEROME JOHNSON is because the national Black Panther Party is holding a two month purge which is still in effect. The exact number of members of the Afro-American Unity Organization is not known at this time.

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ENCLOSURE

RE: BLACK PANTHER PARTY

During March, 1969, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] has observed newspapers of the Black Panther Party for sale at the Varsity Grill, Statesville Avenue, Charlotte, North Carolina, which is operated by BURRELL JORDAN, III.

On April 17, 1969, [REDACTED] reported that ERIC PATRICK BROWN, area captain of the Black Panther Party at Greensboro, North Carolina, has indicated that there is dissension within the Black Panther Party partially due to the fact that headquarters has little if any control over branches within the Eastern United States. BROWN stated that NUNDING has been suspended by the national party for calling himself a field marshal when in fact he has little if any rank. BROWN also has stated that no new charters are being issued or organizational projects instituted at this time until further word is received from the national office of the Black Panther Party.

[REDACTED]

BROWN indicated he traveled to Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where he talked with a number of individuals, not further identified, who desire to form a chapter of the Black Panther Party at Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

A characterization of the Black Panther Party is attached as an appendix to this memorandum.

BLACK PANTHER PARTY

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"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, **GEORGE MASON MURRAY**, which ends with the following:

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Charlotte, North Carolina
April 18, 1969

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File No.

Title BLACK PANTHER PARTY

Character RACIAL MATTERS

Reference Memorandum at Charlotte, North
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706-8)

[Signature]

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-2861)

SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY -
(CHARLOTTE DIVISION)
RM

DATE: 4/1/69

Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of LHM dated and captioned as above. Charlotte find enclosed 3 copies, so appropriate investigation may be conducted.

Source is [REDACTED]

This LHM is classified confidential so as to protect the identity of Source who is of continuing value to the Bureau.

Charlotte determine if there is a BPP organization at Charlotte, and if so, advise the Bureau and San Francisco of any chapters' addresses, phone numbers, known offices, members and other available information. Also conduct such investigation as is necessary to determine BPP activity and to place informants therein.

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AGENCY: ACSI, CBI, OSI, SEC. SER.

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San Francisco, California

April 1, 1969

BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP)
CHARLOTTE DIVISION

A Source, who has frequent contact with the leadership of the BPP, National Headquarters, Berkeley, California, advised on March 18, 1969, a [REDACTED] of Charlotte, North Carolina, contacted BPP, National Headquarters in order that he might purchase a quantity of posters and newspapers.

According to Source, [REDACTED] asked that 200 copies of the "Black Panther" newspaper, and 20 copies of two different posters, be shipped to him at [REDACTED], Charlotte, North Carolina, 28208. Source said that [REDACTED] also gave his phone number as [REDACTED].

A characterization of the BPP is contained in the appendix.

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY, aka
Black Panther Party for
Self Defense

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APPENDIX



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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San Francisco, California

April 1, 1969

Title BLACK PANTHER PARTY
 CHARLOTTE DIVISION

Character

Reference San Francisco LHM dated
 and captioned as above.

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are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

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Date: 3/28/69

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6634) (P)

MEETING SPONSORED BY BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP),
CONCERNING GREENSBORO REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION,
MARCH 25, 1969
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Charlotte airtel to the Bureau, 3/26/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of LHM concerning above meeting.

Copies are being disseminated locally to Military Intelligence and Secret Service.

All investigation at Greensboro, N. C., was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

CE T-1 is [REDACTED]

LEAD:CHARLOTTEAT GREENSBORO, N.C.

Will follow situation and keep Bureau advised.

3 - Bureau (Enc. 11) (RM)
2 - Charlotte
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AGENCY: [REDACTED] SER: [REDACTED]

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Approved: [REDACTED] Sent [REDACTED] M Per [REDACTED]
Special Agent in Charge



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Charlotte, North Carolina

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March 28, 1969

MEETING SPONSORED BY BLACK PANTHER
PARTY (BPP), CONCERNING GREENSBORO
REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, MARCH 25,
1969
RACIAL MATTERS.

Reference is made to memorandum at Charlotte,
North Carolina, dated March 26, 1969.

CE T-1 advised that on the evening of March 25,
1969, about 200 people assembled at the HAYES TAYLOR
YMCA on East Market Street in Greensboro. NELSON
JOHNSON, WALTER BRAME, and some Negro female appeared
to be in charge of the meeting. The leaders of the
meeting were obviously upset that Mr. BARKLEY, Chairman
of the Redevelopment Commission in Greensboro was not
there as they had requested that he be. JOHNSON said
that since Mr. BARKLEY was not present, however, they
might as well go on with the meeting and he wanted to
know what the grievances against the Redevelopment
Commission were.

Individuals in the audience pointed out that
the Cumberland Area Redevelopment Project was one sore
spot. People had been moved about several times before
they were finally relocated in new apartments. Some
man explained how his property had been condemned and
then finally a Mr. BROOKS, a Negro male in a wheel chair,
pointed out that some 53 Negro merchants who had small
businesses and shops in the area taken over for redevelop-
ment had been put out of business just because of the

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RE. MEETING SPONSORED BY BPP CONCERNING GREENSBORO
REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Redevelopment Project. Mr. BROOKS claimed that this group of merchants had tried to form a Black Businessmen's Association so that they would have borrowing power in order to get the black merchants back in business. The Redevelopment Commission had turned them down, according to Mr. BROOKS.

Mr. KENNETH LEE, a Negro attorney, then spoke briefly and explained how the Redevelopment Commission had gone about obtaining the property on which the new A & P Store on East Market Street is presently located.

A few Negro males and females in the audience asked some questions and then finally a Mr. BROWN, who represented the Greensboro Redevelopment Commission, tried to talk. The people did not want to hear him. They said that if Mr. BARKLEY was not there, then they did not want to hear anyone else from the Redevelopment Commission. No white members of the Redevelopment Commission were in attendance and Mr. BROWN was apparently the only member who was there and he was a Negro.

The Chairman then asked everyone present to sign a petition that would be presented to the Redevelopment Commission expressing the demands and views as far as the actions of the Redevelopment Commission were concerned.

HOWARD FULLER, the Negro militant from Durham, North Carolina, was present and he talked. FULLER's remarks were by far the most inflammatory, according to T-1, and he stated, "You see, you asked The Man to come to the meeting and he didn't, so let's go to him. When The Man asks you to move, then just don't move. Form a group that just will refuse to move."

This was the gist of the remarks by FULLER and he did get some response from the crowd.

There were a number of Negro males in the audience who were obviously members of the Black Panther Party wearing Black Panther jackets and tams.

RE: MEETING SPONSORED BY BLACK PANTHER PARTY CONCERNING
GREENSBORO REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

CE T-1 further advised that NUNDING (true name HAROLD/AVENT) then spoke. NUNDING's remarks were not too militant, but he wanted to find out just when this petition would be presented to the Redevelopment Commission so they could all go to see "The Man."

It was estimated that there were probably some 30 to 40 people in the audience who appeared to be members of the Black Panther Party.

No trouble erupted and after the meeting, as the crowd left by the front door, a table had been set up and the Black Panther Party members were standing by the table to be sure that everyone signed the petition that was on the table.

It was apparent from the way the group was talking that they intend to keep pushing this program against the Redevelopment Commission.



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Charlotte, North Carolina

March 28, 1969

Title MEETING SPONSORED BY BLACK PANTHER
 PARTY CONCERNING GREENSBORO
 REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, MARCH 25,
 1969

Character RACIAL MATTERS

Reference Memorandum at Charlotte, North
 Carolina, dated and captioned
 as above.

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1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]

3-27-69

1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]

Airtel

To: SACs Newark (100-49194)
New York (100-161993)

From: Director, FBI (105-165706) 8-18

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RACIAL MATTERS

[REDACTED] and LHM dated 3-12-69.

Bureau files fail to disclose subversive derogatory data regarding Black Panther Party (BPP) personnel identified in referenced LHM as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

Accordingly, and if not already done, New York should institute immediate vigorous investigations in their regard for the purpose of verifying information [REDACTED] regarding their activities and affiliations with the BPP. These investigations should be handled in accordance with instructions set forth in Bureau letter dated 9-3-68 captioned "Black Panther Party, Racial Matters."

New York should insure that appropriate local authorities are apprised of information set forth in referenced LHM concerning activities of subjects [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] of local interest and of the fact that [REDACTED] carries a weapon at all times and should be considered armed and dangerous.

Information concerning [REDACTED] possible involvement in narcotics activities should also be made available to appropriate local and federal authorities in New York.

MAILED 23
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COMM-FBI

1 - San Francisco
1 - Charlotte

1 - 157 [REDACTED]
1 - 157 [REDACTED]

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Airtel to SAC, Newark
RE: BLACK PANTHER PARTY
106-165706

In addition to the above, New York is requested to expeditiously submit a communication to the Bureau under appropriate caption identifying the individual referred to in referenced LHM on page 2 as [REDACTED]. You should at that time advise as to what investigative steps your Office has taken or is taking in regard to this individual in view of his reported status as a BPP member.

Newark should note information contained in a copy of [REDACTED], copies of which were furnished your Office. by FD 306 dated 3-5-69. Information set forth on page 2 thereof relates to a reported BPP plan [REDACTED] a man named [REDACTED] currently residing in Newark, New Jersey. This data is not incorporated in reLHM. Newark is requested to advise the Bureau of information in its possession regarding this individual's identity together with information as to whether he has ever operated as a Bureau or police source concerning BPP activities. In the latter event Newark should take appropriate steps to insure this individual is apprised of information concerning a possible plot on his life by the BPP and appropriate local authorities should be similarly advised if deemed advisable.

Information copies of this communication are being furnished to the Charlotte and San Francisco offices, in view of their interest in this matter and in the investigation regarding the BPP.

NOTE:

Instructions being directed to the New York and Newark offices in view of information furnished [REDACTED]

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Airtel to SAC, Newark
RE: BLACK PANTHER PARTY
105-165706

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[REDACTED] This information identifies individuals, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who are reportedly involved in criminal activities as well as in matters on behalf of the BPP. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The BPP is a black extremist organization.

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To: SAC, Charlotte (157-6634)

From: Director, FBI

MEETING SPONSORED BY BLACK PANTHER PARTY
CONCERNING GREENSBORO REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MARCH 25, 1969
RACIAL MATTERS

Reurtel dated 3/25/69.

Referenced teletype indicates Walter Brame, Black Panther Party leader, Greensboro, North Carolina, contacted members of the Greensboro Redevelopment Commission and practically threatened them if they did not appear at a meeting called by him for 8 p.m., 3/25/69. No follow-up received.

Part III, page 154d, of the FBI Handbook clearly sets forth instructions that each office must assume responsibility for following up planned activity and promptly advising the Bureau of subsequent developments even though the development may be a postponement or cancellation of a planned activity.

Insure that you have sufficient coverage through sources and informants to be immediately advised of the results of planned activity such as was reported in referenced teletype. This information should, of course, be submitted to the Bureau on a timely basis. If not already done, obtain the details concerning the 8 p.m. meeting on 3/25/69 and furnish the Bureau a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination.

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SAC, Charlotte (157-6171)

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Director, FBI (105-165706) Sub 8) -6

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP)
CHARLOTTE DIVISION
RACIAL MATTERS

Reurairtel and LHM 2/7/69 and urtel 2/10/69.

Enclosed is one copy each of Buairtel to SACs, Albany, et al, 12/3/68, captioned "Black Panther Party, Racial Matters" and a letter from J. Walter Yeagley, Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division, Justice Department, dated 11/20/68, captioned "George Mason Murray, Kathleen Cleaver, Bobby George Seale, Joudonn Ford, Racial Matters - Black Panther Party; Leroy Eldridge Cleaver, Racial Matters - Black Panther Party."

Since re communications indicate that there is now an active BPP chapter in the process of being formed in Greensboro, North Carolina, the instructions in the enclosures should be followed during investigation of this organization and its members. Continue your penetrative investigation of this group. In the event you do not submit an airtel or teletype containing significant intelligence information within any two-week period of your investigation, submit at the end of that two-week period an airtel summarizing the significant developments during that period. Also consider the counterintelligence possibilities during your investigation, submitting any counterintelligence measures to the Bureau for authorization before implementing them.

Your investigation of BPP activities in Greensboro shows the value of having informant coverage in a position to report on black extremist activities at their inception. You should continue this commendable informant development and utilize this instance to illustrate to your Agent personnel the advantages, desirability and necessity of the development of adequate informant coverage.

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Letter to SAC, Charlotte
RE: BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP)
CHARLOTTE DIVISION
105-165706

Follow closely the efforts to establish BPP affiliate in Charlotte and keep the Bureau advised concerning these efforts as well as the activities in Greensboro.

NOTE:

The violence-prone, black extremist BPP has recently sent organizers to Greensboro, North Carolina, where BPP was organized, a guerrilla training session was held on a college campus and plans were discussed to shoot police with rifles. Another black extremist in Charlotte has also expressed a desire to organize an affiliate of the BPP in Charlotte. Informant coverage includes [REDACTED] furnishing information on the BPP organizers in Greensboro and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

FBI

Date: 2/7/69

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OSI: SEC. SW

Via AIRTEL

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2/12/69

RCS

C. C. Bishop

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706-Sub8)

KCC ATY 105-165706-Sub8

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171) (P)SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RM

Re Charlotte airtel to the Bureau dated 1/23/69;
airtel to the Bureau dated 1/7/69, captioned "HAROLD
AVANT, Aka, RM - BPP," [redacted] and New
York airtel to the Bureau dated 2/3/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of LHM
re captioned matter, copies of which have been disseminated
locally to Secret Service and Military Intelligence agencies.
Two copies of LHM are enclosed for the San Francisco,
New York, and Newark Offices, for information.

[redacted] who furnished
information to SA [redacted] SA [redacted] also
contacted [redacted]

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A review of the Black Panther Party activities
in the Charlotte Division indicates that apparently HAROLD
AVANT would have prior connections with the Black Panther
Party in the New York area. It is noted that he came to
Greensboro, N. C., with ERIC PATRICK BROWN, a student at
A&T State University, who was referred to in the LHM
enclosed with referenced New York airtel. It is noted that
San Francisco had advised their indices is negative re AVANT
along with Bureau indices being negative. This is in direct

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contrast to the apparent efforts of the group known as the Afro-American Unity Organization in Charlotte, N. C., which is apparently trying to deal directly with the Black Panther Party Headquarters, Oakland, California. (u)

New York should bear this in mind in Black Panther Party investigations as apparently the papers obtained from the possession of [REDACTED] at the time of his arrest on 1/23/69, by New York Agents pertained to the Greensboro, N. C., area.

New York and Newark should review their indices concerning HAROLD AVANT, aka MUNDING or NADINE, furnishing results of this indices check to the Charlotte Office expeditiously. (u)

LEAD:

CHARLOTTE

AT GREENSBORO, N. C., AND CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Will continue to follow closely the activities of the Black Panther Party.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Charlotte, North Carolina
February 7, 1969

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RACIAL MATTERS

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North Carolina, dated January 23, 1969.

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the police car which, in turn, would cause additional cars
to come to the area. When a fairly large congregation of
police had assembled, the Black Panther Party would then
"cut down on them with rifles from hidden positions."

[REDACTED] a
meeting was held on [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Greensboro, North Carolina,
where ERIC BROWN and HAROLD AVANT are apparently staying
in Greensboro, North Carolina. There were [REDACTED]
present at the meeting and the instructor was AVANT, also
known as MUNDING or NADINE, who identified himself as Section
Chief and a teacher of the Black Panther Party. This meeting
was one of a group of weekly training sessions for new Black
Panther Party members. Those in attendance were young, mostly
of high school or college age, and were completely dominated
by AVANT, who told them all that once they attended one meeting
of the Black Panther Party, they were brothers or sisters
from then on and there was no chance to get out. AVANT
stated the group's goal in the Spring would be to get all

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Included in the [REDACTED] House
and Agency [REDACTED] Date 2-12-69

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RE: BLACK PANTHER PARTY

white merchants off East Market Street in Greensboro, North Carolina. AVANT stated that on the evening of January 31, 1969, he had held a guerrilla training session on the A&T State University campus and urged all Black Panther Party members to get Citizens Band Radios so they can communicate. AVANT'S teaching included political education, the Black Panther Party's ten point program, the three rules of discipline, and the eight points of attention. He also discussed the rankings of party leaders.

A characterization of the Black Panther Party is attached as an appendix to this memorandum.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Charlotte, North Carolina
February 7, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Character	RACIAL MATTERS
Reference	Reference is made to memorandum at Charlotte, North Carolina, dated and captioned as above.

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Date: 1/29/69

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171)RE: BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Bureau airtel, 1/23/69.

[REDACTED] advised on 1/28/69, [REDACTED]

Black Panther Party members now in Greensboro had recently discussed the following. They suggested that some sort of disturbance be formulated in the Negro Section of Greensboro, and that when a police car answered the call that rocks and bottles would be thrown at the police car. This in turn would cause additional cars to come to the area and when a fairly large congregation of police had assembled, then the Black Panthers would "cut down on them" with rifles from hidden positions.

This information being forwarded to the Bureau since it corroborates the information received in Newark, N. J., about Black Panther members attempting to assault agents who might try to interview them.

Information about [REDACTED] and the other Black Panthers has been submitted to the Bureau, New York, and Newark in an effort to identify them.

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2 - Charlotte

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171) (P)

SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Charlotte airtel to Bureau dated 12/31/68.

Enclosed are 11 copies of LHM re captioned matter, copies of which have been disseminated locally to Secret Service and military intelligence agencies. Two copies of LHM are enclosed for the San Francisco Division.

furnished his information to

SA [REDACTED]

- ③ - Bureau (Encs. 11) (RM)
2 - San Francisco (157-2861) (Encs. 2) (RM)
4 - Charlotte
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Per [REDACTED] **INTERNAL SEC.**

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CE 157-6171

Charlotte will maintain the newspapers mentioned in LHM as an exhibit to this file in the event San Francisco desires these for review.

[REDACTED] has become acquainted with HAROLD AVANT and is following AVANT's activities in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Charlotte currently has under development [REDACTED] [REDACTED] to follow the activities of the Black Panther Party in Charlotte. Efforts are continuing to develop additional informant coverage.

LEAD:SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco is requested to advise if HAROLD AVANT, aka NADINE, is known to the San Francisco Division, and to keep Charlotte advised of any further attempts by individuals from North Carolina contacting the national headquarters of the Black Panther Party for organizational assistance.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Charlotte, North Carolina

January 23, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
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BLACK PANTHER PARTY
RACIAL MATTERS

On January 14, 1969, CE T-1 advised he has determined that the Afro American Unity Organization is the name used by JEROME CLIFTON JOHNSON and BENJAMIN FRANKLIN CHAVIS for a group they are attempting to organize using this name as a cover. T-1 stated that it is his information this group is being formed in the hope that it can become a chapter of the Black Panther Party (BPP), and at a later date affiliate with the BPP with headquarters in Oakland, California.

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2. APPROX. 1/15

On January 13, 1969, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] furnished information that HAROLD AVANT, also known as NADINE, has appeared at the A and T State University campus in Greensboro with ERIC PATRICK BROWN. AVANT is supposed to be a member of the BPP from the New York or New Jersey area who returned with BROWN after the Christmas vacation.

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On January 15, 1969, CE T-2 advised that HAROLD AVANT was described as a Negro male, age 26 to 27, with a full Afro-bush haircut and beard, medium complexion, and he is believed to be some sort of organizer for the Black Panthers.

On January 15, 1969, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Asheville, North Carolina, advised that during the summer of 1968 he actively supported GEORGE WALLACE as a presidential candidate, and he believes that someone as a joke sent his name to the BPP national headquarters, Berkeley, California, as he has been receiving their news sheets. He has written them asking them to discontinue this, and has also requested the Post Office inspector to have his name removed from their mailing list. [REDACTED] furnished to a Special Agent of the FBI issues of "The Black Panther," for October 5, September 28, October 26, November 2, November 16, December 7, and December 21, 1968.

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January 23, 1969

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Date: 12/31/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706-Sub 8)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171)

BLACK PANTHER PARTY
CHARLOTTE DIVISION
RM

Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau 12/16/68.

Referenced airtel set forth that [REDACTED] (LNU), representing an organization known as the Afro-American Unity Organization at Charlotte, wanted to affiliate with the Black Panther Party (BPP) at Berkeley, Calif., furnishing a residence address of [REDACTED] and telephone [REDACTED] both Charlotte.

The following investigation was conducted 12/30/68 by SA [REDACTED] at Charlotte, N. C., and all identities should be protected:

3-Bureau (105-165706-Sub 8) (RM)

2-San Francisco (157-2861) (RM)

3-Charlotte (2 - 157-6171)

(1 - [REDACTED])

THG:for
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C. C. Bishop

Approved: [Signature]

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[REDACTED] advised he had no records for the Afro-American Unity Organization and Charlotte indices are also negative.

[REDACTED] (of the Charlotte Office) appears to be the pusher behind [REDACTED] who is employed in the maintenance department at [REDACTED] and is a former [REDACTED] made available a photograph of [REDACTED] he had made 12/9/68 on the arrival of STOKELY CARMICHAEL at Charlotte, N. C., and it is noted [REDACTED] was observed by SA [REDACTED] on that occasion obtaining the luggage for STOKELY CARMICHAEL and his party at the Charlotte Airport, at which time [REDACTED] was wearing a beret, U. S. Army field jacket, and boots. [REDACTED] was formerly affiliated with the Black Student Unity League at JCSU and is presently associated with the Black Cultural Association, a local Negro organization recently formed, and according to [REDACTED] is developing anti-white, anti-law enforcement tendencies.

Charlotte is immediately instituting background investigation re [REDACTED] for his consideration on the Security Index and Agitator Index.

[REDACTED] is described as follows:

[REDACTED]

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CHARLOTTE (157-6171)

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-2861)

SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY - *B.P.P.*
CHARLOTTE DIVISION *B.P.P. S.D.*
RM*BLACK PANTHER PARTY FOR SELF-DEFENSE*

On 12/13/68, [REDACTED] (reliable) advised that he learned an individual known only to him as [REDACTED] (LNU) contacted the Headquarters of the BPP and advised that he had an organization known as the Afro-American Unity Organization located in Charlotte which wanted to affiliate with the BPP at Berkeley, California. [REDACTED] was advised by the leadership of the BPP that it would be necessary for him to forward the amount of \$300 to the National Headquarters in order that a representative of the BPP may go to Charlotte to indoctrinate the new members. [REDACTED] stated that he would attempt to obtain this fund and forward it to the National Headquarters.

Source said that [REDACTED] furnished a residence address of [REDACTED] Charlotte, North Carolina and furnished his telephone number as [REDACTED]

Charlotte Division should conduct investigation to identify [REDACTED] and follow the activities of this organization in establishing a BPP at Charlotte.

- 3 - Bureau *REC-100*
2 - Charlotte *MCT-70*
3 - San Francisco (1 - 157-2861)
(1 - 157-2872) (BPP Organization)

TO: [REDACTED]
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-165706)

DATE: 10/29/68

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-6171)

SUBJECT: BLACK PANTHER PARTY-(BPP)
RACIAL MATTERS

OO: SAN FRANCISCO

Re Director letter to Sac Albany, 9/3/68, and Director letter to SAC Albany, 9/17/68 captioned "DEVELOPMENTS OF RACIAL INFORMANTS IN THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP)".

Pursuant to Bureau instructions all agents of the Charlotte Division have been requested to alert their sources and local law enforcement officers concerning BPP; however, to date no indication has been received of any actual BP organization within the Charlotte Division. It is noted that LEROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER, minister of information for the BPP was to have spoken at the University of N. C., Chapel Hill, N.C., on 10/19/68; however, this was canceled. Newspaper publications indicated that further speakers of the BPP might be obtained.

LEADS:

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

Will furnish Charlotte with any information indicating there is to be travel in the future of members of BPP to N. C. and possible contact.

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Will continue contact with sources and appropriate law enforcement officials keeping the Bureau and San Francisco advised of pertinent developments.

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